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RHODE ISLAND JOBS INCREASE BY 2,800 IN SEPTEMBER TO 433,400

Total establishment employment in Rhode Island rose by 2,800 in September, mainly the result of seasonal gains in the Nonmanufacturing sector along with a small increase in overall Manufacturing payrolls, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 433,400 in September. This represents a gain of 2,800 from the August level of 430,600 and is 3,200 above the September 1985 figure of 430,200.

MANUFACTURING

Overall Manufacturing employment increased by 300 from August to September. However, the current figure of 120,700 is 400 below the year ago total of 121,100. In the Durable Goods category, the September employment level of 82,800 was up 300 on both a monthly and an annual basis. The Nondurable Goods employment total of 37,900 showed no change in the August-September period, but was down 700 compared to September 1985.

Within the Durable Goods category, the largest monthly gain was registered in Jewelry-Silverware (+200), followed by upturns of 100 jobs each in Transportation Equipment and Instruments. Employment in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment declined by 100 from August to September, while the remaining Durable Goods industries were unchanged during this period. Compared to a year ago, the most substantial payroll increases (+300 each) occurred in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing category and Lumber/Furniture.

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EMPLOYERS! LIST YOUR HOLIDAY JOB OPENINGS WITH THE RHODE ISLAND JOB SERVICE

Are you a retailer planning to hire additional sales people for the approaching holiday season? Perhaps a manufacturer considering the addition of another shift or adding part-time or full-time help to your present shift?

The Rhode Island Job Service is the State's largest single source of job-ready applicants. Now is the time to list your openings with the Job Service. Our responsibility is to work with employers across the entire spectrum of the work force, providing a full range of employees from the assembly line to the front office. Professional job interviewers in each of our twelve local offices will screen and refer applicants for your consideration. You make the final selection. We can also assist you in describing your jobs accurately as you prepare your job orders. This saves you, or your personnel staff, valuable time and money in recruiting and interviewing.

For more than fifty years, Job Service has been working hard to keep Americans — and Rhode Islanders — working; a dependable community source of qualified applicants for Rhode Island employers.

Now is the time to list your holiday hiring needs with the Job Service. Call the Job Bank at 277-3588 (or toll-free Enterprise 2265) or any local office of the Rhode Island Job Service listed on page two of this Bulletin. Thank you.

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Sept. 1986	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1985
Total Placements	2,495	3,095	2,112
New Applications	4,225	3,872	3,348
New Openings Rec'd.	3,602	3,960	3,195

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Sept. 1986	Aug. 1986	% Change Aug. 1986
Initial Claims	5,155	6,771	- 23.9
No. of Payments	37,771	41,793	- 9.6
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,592,925	$ 5,121,678	- 10.3
Exhaustions	825	834	- 1.1

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	Sept. 1986	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1985
Initial Claims	2,890	3,131	3,107
No. of Payments	24,845	23,980	21,927
Amt. of Payments	$ 3,551,303	$ 3,295,320	$ 2,806,265

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Sept. 1986	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	508.9	508.4	501.6
Unemployment	17.0	17.0	20.9
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.3	3.3	4.2
Seas. Adjusted Rate	3.9	3.3	4.9

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Aug. 1986	July 1986	Aug. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	327.4	325.7	322.8
Unemployment	10.9	13.0	14.9
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.3	4.0	4.6

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Aug. 1986	July 1986	Aug. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	166.1	162.9	164.9
Unemployment	7.1	8.3	8.3
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.3	5.1	5.0

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Aug. 1986	July 1986	Aug. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	35,970	35,840	34,810
Unemployment	840	900	1,145
Rate (Unadjusted)	2.3	2.5	3.3

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
AUGUST 18-22, 1986

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	12,276	100.0
Men	5,673	46.2
Under 45	3,945	69.5
45 and over	1,728	30.5
Women	6,603	53.8
Under 45	4,256	64.5
45 and over	2,347	35.5
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	491	4.0
Manufacturing	5,856	47.7
Public Utilities	855	7.0
Wholesale and Retail	1,946	15.9
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	346	2.8
Service	2,128	17.3
All Other	654	5.3
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,582	12.9
Clerical and Sales	2,892	23.6
Service	1,255	10.2
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	91	0.7
Processing	382	3.1
Machine Trades	1,346	11.0
Bench Work	2,128	17.3
Structural Work	1,019	8.3
Miscellaneous	1,528	12.5
INA	53	0.4

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	Sept. 1986	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1985	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1985
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	433.4	430.6	430.2	+ 2800	+ 3200
MANUFACTURING	120.7	120.4	121.1	+ 300	- 400
NONMANUFACTURING	312.7	310.2	309.1	+ 2500	+ 3600
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	16.7	16.7	16.3	-	+ 400
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	14.5	14.3	13.9	+ 200	+ 600
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	96.4	96.0	94.7	+ 400	+ 1700
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	23.8	23.9	23.5	- 100	+ 300
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	104.9	103.3**	104.0	+ 1600	+ 900
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	56.4**	56.0	56.7**	+ 400	- 300

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** Labor Dispute

ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Sept. 1986	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1985	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1985	Sept. 1986	Sept. 1985	Sept. 1986	Sept. 1985	Sept. 1986	Sept. 1985
ALL MANUFACTURING	120.7	120.4	121.1	+300	- 400	323.58	305.92	40.6	40.2	7.97	7.61
DURABLE GOODS	82.8	82.5	82.5	+300	+300	324.77	305.20	40.8	40.0	7.96	7.63
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.1	3.1	2.8	-	+300	378.80	350.96	40.6	41.0	9.33	8.56
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.7	1.8	-	- 100	404.67	382.70	41.0	40.8	9.87	9.38
PRIMARY METALS	5.9	5.9	5.9	-	-	394.25	371.78	42.9	42.2	9.19	8.81
FABRICATED METALS	9.7	9.7	9.6	-	+100	302.54	278.80	40.5	40.7	7.47	6.85
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.6*	5.6*	5.6	-	-	432.72	415.86	44.2	44.1	9.79	9.43
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.2	12.2	12.1	-	+100	302.25	279.55	40.3	38.4	7.50	7.28
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.8	9.7	9.8	+100	-	422.24	417.56	40.6	40.5	10.40	10.31
INSTRUMENTS	5.6*	5.5*	5.6*	+100	-	325.08	304.96	42.0	41.1	7.74	7.42
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.0	22.8	23.4	+200	- 400	254.23	246.41	40.1	39.3	6.34	6.27
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.2	6.3	5.9	- 100	+300	249.51	232.54	35.9	34.4	6.95	6.76
NONDURABLE GOODS	37.9	37.9	38.6	-	- 700	319.60	307.34	40.0	40.6	7.99	7.57
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.4	3.3	3.4	+100	-	272.54	252.75	37.8	37.5	7.21	6.74
TEXTILES	10.8	10.7	10.8	+100	-	290.19	290.49	40.5	42.1	7.18	6.90
APPAREL	3.4	3.3	3.4	+100	-	279.22	264.62	41.8	40.9	6.68	6.47
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.8	2.8	2.7	-	+100	308.48	268.92	41.8	40.5	7.38	6.64
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.5	6.5	6.4	-	+100	422.78	410.42	38.4	39.2	11.01	10.47
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	2.8	2.8	3.2	-	- 400	433.54	402.75	40.9	40.6	10.60	9.92
RUBBER PRODUCTS	0.7	0.7	0.7	-	-	333.22	320.08	41.6	41.3	8.01	7.75
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.2	5.5	5.6	-300	- 400	315.97	321.31	40.2	41.3	7.86	7.78
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.3	2.3	2.4	-	- 100	215.90	211.07	38.9	38.8	5.55	5.44

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Also up from their year ago job levels were Fabricated Metals and Electrical Machinery (+100 each). In contrast, annual employment declines were posted in Jewelry-Silverware (-400) and Stone-Clay-Glass (-100), while the remaining Durable Goods industries showed no change compared to a year ago.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, monthly advances of 100 each in Food-Beverage, Textiles and Apparel were offset by a decrease of 300 in Plastics Products. Employment levels in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries were unchanged from last month. On an annual comparison, payroll gains of 100 each were recorded in Paper Products and Printing-Publishing. For the twelve month period, notable job declines of 400 each were reported in Chemical Products and Plastics Products, followed by an annual downturn of 100 in Leather Products. Employment in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries showed no change from September 1985.

NONMANUFACTURING

Overall employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing sector rose by 2,500 from August to September, largely the result of seasonal hiring in Service, Trade and Government. The current Nonmanufacturing total of 312,700 is 3,600 jobs greater than the year ago employment level of 309,100.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, the largest monthly increase (+1,600) was registered in Service, primarily due to education-related employment gains. At 104,900, this segment was 900 above the level recorded a year earlier. Trade payrolls advanced 400 for the month rising to 96,400, which was up 1,700 compared to a year ago. Despite the effects of a teacher strike, seasonal gains in state and local educ al institutions led to a monthly gain of 400 in overall Government employment; however, the current job total of 56,400 is 300 less than the September 1985 level. Employment in Transportation and Public Utilities, at 14,500, reflected a monthly advance of 200 and an annual increase of 600. Contract Construction, at 16,700, showed no change from last month while Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, at 23,800, was down 100 during the August-September period. Nevertheless, compared to a year ago, the former expanded by 400 and the latter gained 300 jbos.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers rose by 2 cents to $7.97 in mid-September; this represents a gain of 36 cents compared to one year ago. The average work week increased by 0.3 of an hour in September to 40.6 hours, which was also 0.4 of an hour more than the September 1985 work week. Average weekly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers in September amounted to $323.58, representing a gain of $3.19 from last month and $17.66 from the same month a year ago.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT INCREASES TO 436,500 IN OCTOBER

Total establishment employment in Rhode Island rose by 3,100 in October to a new record high level, with gains occurring in both the Manufacturing and Nonmanufacturing sectors, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 436,500 in October. This represents a gain of 3,100 from the September level of 433,400, and is 4,400 more than the October 1985 figure of 432,100.

MANUFACTURING

Overall manufacturing employment increased by 1,200 in the September-October period. Further, the current manufacturing total of 121,900 is 300 greater than the year earlier figure of 121,600. In the Durable Goods category, the October employment level of 83,700 was up 900 from last month and was 700 above the total recorded one year ago. Employment in the Nondurable Goods sector increased by 300 from September to the current level of 38,200, but was down 400 compared to October 1985.

Within the Durable Goods category, the largest monthly job gain was recorded in Jewelry-Silverware (+500). Additional monthly upturns were posted in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment (+200), and Primary Metals, Fabricated Metals and Nonelectrical Machinery (+100 each). Payrolls in Lumber/Furniture declined by 100 for the month, while employment in the remaining Durable Goods industries showed no change. On an annual comparison, the most

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1987 TAXABLE WAGE BASE

In accordance with State law, the 1987 taxable wage bases for the Employment Security and Temporary Disability Insurance programs have been determined. John S. Renza, Employment Security Director, recently announced that the wage base on which Employment Security taxes will be paid during the 1987 tax year, which begins January 1, will be $11,400. The wage base for T.D.I. contributions will also be $11,400.

The 1987 taxable wage bases for the E.S. and T.D.I. programs are equal to 70 percent of the 1985 average annual wage earned by workers covered by the Employment Security and Temporary Disability Insurance acts respectively, rounded upward to the next even multiple of $200. The 1985 average annual wage for workers covered by the E.S. Act was $16,214; the average annual wage for workers covered by T.D.I. was $16,137.

Employers will be notified of their individual unemployment insurance tax rates prior to next April 1.

The employee tax rate for Temporary Disability Insurance will be reduced to 1.0 percent of the new T.D.I. wage base, effective January 1, 1987.

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Oct. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1985
Total Placements	1,196	2,495	1,727
New Applications	2,781	4,225	3,571
New Openings Rec'd.	2,468	3,602	2,980

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Oct. 1986	Sept. 1986	% Change Sept.1986
Initial Claims	5,692	5,155	+ 10.4
No. of Payments	34,511	37,771	- 8.6
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,355,442	$ 4,592,925	- 5.2
Exhaustions	843	825	+ 2.2

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	Oct. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1985
Initial Claims	4,066	2,890	3,507
No. of Payments	27,036	24,845	25,322
Amt. of Payments	$ 3,926,497	$ 3,551,303	$ 3,261,991

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Oct. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1985
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Unemployment	17.1	17.0	19.4
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Seas. Adjusted Rate	4.0	3.9	4.6

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(In thousands)

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Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Sept. 1986	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	165.7	166.1	165.8
Unemployment	8.0	7.1	8.2
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.8	4.3	4.9

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Sept. 1986	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	35,390	35,970	34,205
Unemployment	835	840	1,055
Rate (Unadjusted)	2.4	2.3	3.1

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NONMANUFACTURING	314.6	312.7	310.5	+ 1900	+ 4100
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	16.6	16.7	16.1	- 100	+ 500
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	14.3	14.5	14.0	- 200	+ 300
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	95.5	96.4	93.8	- 900	+ 1700
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	23.8	23.8	23.4	-	+ 400
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	106.5	104.9	105.6	+ 1600	+ 900
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	57.9	56.4**	57.6	+ 1500	+ 300

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	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Oct. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1985	Oct. 1986	Oct. 1985	Oct. 1986	Oct. 1985	Oct. 1986	Oct. 1985
ALL MANUFACTURING	121.9	120.7	121.6	+1200	+300	$ 323.60	$308.66	40.5	40.4	$ 7.99	$ 7.64
DURABLE GOODS	83.7	82.8	83.0	+ 900	+700	324.77	310.64	40.8	40.5	7.96	7.67
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.0	3.1	2.8	- 100	+200	379.03	357.93	40.8	41.0	9.29	8.73
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.7	1.8	-	- 100	414.00	398.27	41.4	42.1	10.00	9.46
PRIMARY METALS	6.0	5.9	6.0	+ 100	-	387.40	364.97	42.2	41.1	9.18	8.88
FABRICATED METALS	9.8	9.7	9.7	+ 100	+100	297.82	283.44	40.3	40.9	7.39	6.93
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.7*	5.6*	5.7	+ 100	-	432.85	412.46	43.9	43.6	9.86	9.46
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.2	12.2	12.1	-	+100	302.40	291.20	40.0	40.0	7.56	7.28
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.8	9.8	9.7	-	+100	423.05	394.13	40.6	39.1	10.42	10.08
INSTRUMENTS	5.6*	5.6*	5.7*	-	- 100	331.33	315.88	42.1	41.4	7.87	7.63
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.5	23.0	23.6	+ 500	- 100	259.90	257.91	40.8	41.2	6.37	6.26
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.4	6.2	5.9	+ 200	+500	252.70	232.49	36.1	34.7	7.00	6.70
NONDURABLE GOODS	38.2	37.9	38.6	+ 300	- 400	322.81	305.47	40.1	40.3	8.06	7.58
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.5	3.4	3.5	+ 100	-	268.19	249.91	37.3	37.3	7.19	6.70
TEXTILES	10.8	10.8	10.8	-	-	295.89	290.51	40.7	41.8	7.27	6.95
APPAREL	3.3	3.4	3.3	- 100	-	280.06	257.68	41.8	40.2	6.70	6.41
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.8	2.8	2.7	-	+100	300.56	269.33	41.4	40.5	7.26	6.65
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.5	6.5	6.4	-	+100	426.62	406.07	38.4	38.6	11.11	10.52
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	2.8	2.8	3.2	-	- 400	432.23	410.94	40.7	41.3	10.62	9.95
RUBBER PRODUCTS	0.7	0.7	0.7	-	-	329.60	326.82	41.2	41.9	8.00	7.80
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.4	5.2	5.6	+ 200	- 200	322.32	311.95	40.8	40.2	7.90	7.76
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.4	2.3	2.4	+ 100	-	215.39	215.57	38.6	39.7	5.58	5.43

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noteworthy job gain occurred in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment (+500). Also up from their year ago totals were Lumber/Furniture (+200), and Fabricated Metals, Electrical Machinery and Transportation Equipment (+100 each). Conversely, annual decreases of 100 each were registered in Stone-Clay-Glass, Instruments and Jewelry-Silverware. Employment in Primary Metals and Nonelectrical Machinery was unchanged for the twelve month period.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries monthly payroll advances in Plastics Products (+200), Food-Beverage (+100) and Leather Products (+100) overshadowed a downturn of 100 in Apparel. Job levels in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries showed no change for the month. Compared to October 1985, employment increases of 100 each were reported in Paper Products and Printing-Publishing. Annual job reductions were evident in Chemical Products (-400) and Plastics Products (-200). Employment in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries was unchanged from a year ago.

NONMANUFACTURING

Total employment in Rhode Island Nonmanufacturing establishments rose by 1,900 from September to October, mainly the result of education-related seasonal gains in Services and Government, and the settlement of a labor dispute in the latter segment. The October Nonmanufacturing employment level of 314,600 is also 4,100 jobs greater than the year earlier total of 310,500.

Within this sector, payrolls in Services, at 106,500, and Government, at 57,900, posted monthly increases of 1,600 and 1,500, respectively. Compared to a year ago, the former was up 900 and the latter gained 300 jobs. Wholesale and Retail Trade employment reflected seasonal reductions as it declined by 900 to the current level of 95,500; this figure, however, represents an annual increase of 1,700 jobs. Although Transportation and Public Utilities payrolls decreased by 200 from September, the October total of 14,300 was 300 higher than the year ago level. Also reporting a monthly drop was Contract Construction, which fell by 100 jobs to 16,600. Nevertheless, this represents a gain of 500 from one year earlier. Employment in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, at 23,800, remained stable for the month, but was up 400 compared to October 1985.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 2 cents to $7.99 in mid-October; this represents a gain of 35 cents compared to one year ago. The average work week decreased by 0.1 of an hour in October to 40.5 hours, but this was 0.1 of an hour higher than the October 1985 work week. Average weekly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers in October amounted to $323.60, representing gains of 2 cents from last month and $14.94 from a year ago.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT INCREASES TO 437,900 IN NOVEMBER

Overall establishment employment in Rhode Island rose for the fourth consecutive month to a new record high level of 437,900 in November. This monthly increase was due to continued gains in the Nonmanufacturing sector, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island's current employment total represents an increase of 1,400 jobs from the October level and is 4,200 more than the November 1985 figure of 433,700.

MANUFACTURING

Total manufacturing employment in Rhode Island declined by 400 in November to a level of 121,500, which was also 800 below the year ago figure of 122,300. In the Durable Goods category, the November employment total of 83,400 fell 300 from the previous month and was 400 less than the year earlier figure. Employment in the Nondurable Goods producing industries decreased 100 in the October-November period to a level of 38,100, and was down 400 compared to the November 1985 total.

Within the Durable Goods category, monthly job gains were recorded in Primary Metals and Fabricated Metals (+100 each). In contrast, factory decreases were posted in Jewelry-Silverware (-200) and Lumber/Furniture, Transportation Equipment and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment (-100 each). The remaining Durable Goods industries showed no change from last month.

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SEASONS GREETINGS
AND A WORD OF THANKS
TO RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYERS

John S. Renza, Director, and the staff of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security take this opportunity to extend holiday greetings to the Rhode Island employer community and to all readers of the Employment Bulletin.

A special word of thanks is extended to those employers who assist the Department to determine trends in the State's economy by providing essential employment information each month. Such key indicators as employment levels, weekly production hours and worker earnings become the basis for both state and national reports and statistics prepared and published by this Department.

The Department of Employment Security will continue its efforts to publish accurate and timely data every month to assist users of the Employment Bulletin in reaching decisions and planning for future employment needs. To all, a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Nov. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1985
Total Placements	1,168	1,196	1,610
New Applications	2,135	2,781	2,925
New Openings Rec'd.	1,640	2,468	2,359

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Nov. 1986	Oct. 1986	% Change Oct. 1986
Initial Claims	6,352	5,692	+ 11.6
No. of Payments	31,169	34,511	- 9.7
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,008.782	$ 4,355,442	- 8.0
Exhaustions	728	843	- 13.6

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	Nov. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1985
Initial Claims	2,792	4,066	3,062
No. of Payments	22,729	27,036	23,090
Amt. of Payments	$ 3,384,628	$ 3,926,497	$ 2,942,453

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Nov 1986	Oct 1986	Nov. 1985
Civilian	513.4	512.0	504.0
Unemployment	19.3	17.1	19.7
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.8	3.3	3.9
Seas. Adjusted Rate	4.4	4.0	4.6

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Oct. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	332.4	328.7	326.6
Unemployment	11.0	10.4	12.4
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.3	3.2	3.8

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Oct. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	166.0	165.7	164.7
Unemployment	6.5	8.0	7.1
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.9	4.8	4.3

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Oct. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	35,005	35,390	33,835
Unemployment	915	835	1,145
Rate (Unadjusted)	2.6	2.4	3.4

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
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Total	9,648	100.0
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45 and over	1,495	30.6
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Under 45	3,021	63.4
45 and Over	1,741	36.6
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Manufactruing	4,146	43.1
Public Utilities	462	4.8
Wholesale and Retail	1,988	20.6
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	293	3.0
Service	1,634	16.9
All Other	292	3.0
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,295	13.4
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Service	1,464	15.2
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	107	1.1
Processing	401	4.1
Machine Trades	817	8.5
Bench Work	1,156	12.0
Structural Work	1,294	13.4
Miscellaneous	816	8.5
INA	2	0.1

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	Nov. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1985	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1985
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	437.9	436.5	433.7	+ 1400	+ 4200
MANUFACTURING	121.5	121.9	122.3	- 400	- 800
NONMANUFACTURING	316.4	314.6	311.4	+ 1800	+ 5000
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	16.4	16.6	15.5	- 200	+ 900
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	14.4	14.3	13.9	+ 100	+ 500
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	97.2	95.5	95.4	+ 1700	+ 1800
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	23.8	23.8	23.4	-	+ 400
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	106.6	106.5	105.3	+ 100	+ 1300
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	58.0	57.9	57.9	+ 100	+ 100

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Nov. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1985	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1985	Nov. 1986	Nov. 1985	Nov. 1986	Nov. 1985	Nov. 1986	Nov. 1985
ALL MANUFACTURING	121.5	121.9	122.3	- 400	- 800	$325.21	$309.91	40.6	40.3	$ 8.01	$ 7.69
DURABLE GOODS	83.4	83.7	83.8	- 300	- 400	324.38	309.50	40.7	40.3	7.97	7.68
LUMBER/FURNITURE	2.9	3.0	2.8	- 100	+100	376.12	360.00	40.4	40.0	9.31	9.00
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.7	1.8	-	- 100	416.66	388.55	41.5	40.9	10.04	9.50
PRIMARY METALS	6.1	6.0	6.2	+100	- 100	399.75	365.31	42.8	41.0	9.34	8.91
FABRICATED METALS	9.9	9.8	9.7	+100	+200	299.03	275.93	40.3	41.0	7.42	6.73
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.7*	5.7*	5.8*	-	- 100	440.92	432.00	44.9	45.0	9.82	9.60
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.2	12.2	12.2	-	-	297.44	287.82	39.5	39.0	7.53	7.38
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.7	9.8	9.6	- 100	+100	413.92	409.37	39.8	39.9	10.40	10.26
INSTRUMENTS	5.6*	5.6*	5.8*	-	- 200	337.19	324.86	42.9	43.2	7.86	7.52
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.3	23.5	24.0	- 200	- 700	260.71	255.43	40.8	41.0	6.39	6.23
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.3	6.4	5.9	- 100	+400	249.12	225.78	36.0	33.8	6.92	6.68
NONDURABLE GOODS	38.1	38.2	38.5	- 100	- 400	325.62	311.89	40.2	40.4	8.10	7.72
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.5	3.5	3.5	-	-	264.99	239.94	36.5	36.3	7.26	6.61
TEXTILES	10.7	10.8	10.8	- 100	- 100	300.53	284.31	41.0	40.5	7.33	7.02
APPAREL	3.3	3.3	3.3	-	-	285.69	271.17	42.2	41.4	6.77	6.55
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.8	2.8	2.7	-	+100	296.12	272.00	40.9	40.0	7.24	6.80
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.5	6.5	6.4	-	+100	427.12	429.60	38.0	40.0	11.24	10.74
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	2.8	2.8	3.1	-	- 300	428.49	422.99	40.5	42.9	10.58	9.86
RUBBER PRODUCTS	0.7	0.7	0.7	-	-	330.89	312.83	40.6	39.8	8.15	7.86
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.4	5.4	5.6	-	- 200	332.47	316.36	41.3	40.3	8.05	7.85
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.4	2.4	2.4	-	-	230.75	232.67	40.2	41.4	5.74	5.62

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On an annual basis, the most substantial employment increase (+400) occurred in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing industry, followed by advances in Fabricated Metals (+200), Lumber/Furniture (+100) and Transportation Equipment (+100). For the twelve month period, a notable payroll reduction of 700 was reported in Jewelry-Silverware. Also down from their year ago job levels were Instruments (-200) and Stone-Clay-Glass, Primary Metals and Nonelectrical Machinery (-100 each). Employment in Electrical Machinery equalled its year earlier total.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, Textile payrolls fell 100 from the prior month, while the remaining industries showed no change during this period. Compared to a year ago, employment gains were reported in Paper Products and Printing-Publishing (+100 each). Conversely, annual job declines were evident in Chemical Products (-300), Plastics Products (-200) and Textiles (-100). Employment in the four remaining Nondurable segments was unchanged from a year ago.

NONMANFACTURING

Overall employment in Rhode Island Nonmanufacturing establishments rose 1,800 from October to November, largely the result of pre-holiday hiring in the Wholesale and Retail Trade sector. The current level of 316,400 also represents an increase of 5,000 jobs compared to the November 1985 figure of 311,400.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, Wholesale and Retail Trade payrolls reflected increased holiday activity, adding 1,700 more workers in the October-November period. At 97,200, this segment was up 1,800 from the same month a year ago. Employment in Services, at 106,600 and Transportation and Public Utilities, at 14,400, each recorded a monthly gain of 100 workers. Compared to a year ago, the former advanced by 1,300, while the latter added 500 new jobs. Overall Government employment, at 58,000, increased by 100 on both a monthly and an annual basis. Seasonal declines reduced Contract Construction payrolls by 200 from last month, but the current level of 16,400 is 900 jobs more than the figure recorded a year ago. Finance, Insurance and Real Estate employment, at 23,800, showed no change during the month, but was up 400 from its year ago total.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers rose by 2 cents to $8.01 in mid-November; this represents a gain of 32 cents compared to one year ago. The average work week increased by 0.1 of an hour in November to 40.6 hours, which was also 0.3 of an hour more than the November 1985 work week. Average weekly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers in November amounted to $325.21, representing a gain of $1.61 from last month and $15.30 from the same month a year ago.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT TOTALS 438,200 IN DECEMBER

Overall Rhode Island establishment employment increased in December to a new record high level as pre-holiday gains in Wholesale and Retail Trade more than offset seasonal decreases in the Manufacturing, Construction and Service sectors of the State's economy, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 438,200 in December This represents a gain of 300 from the November level of 437;900 and is 6,800 above the December 1985 figure of 431,400.

MANUFACTURING

Total Manufacturing employment in Rhode Island decreased seasonally by 700 in December, but the current factory job level of 120,800 showed no change from the figure reported a year ago this month. In the Durable Goods category, the December employment total of 83,000 reflects a drop of 400 from the prior month, but a gain of 200 compared to a year ago. Employment in the Nondurable Goods producing industries fell 300 in the November-December period to a level of 37,800, which was down 200 from the December 1985 figure.

Within the Durable Goods category, monthly job gains of 100 each were recorded in Primary Metals and Fabricated Metals. At the same time, employment in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing sector decreased by 400, while Jewelry-Silverware jobs were down 200. The remaining Durable Goods industries showed no change from last month. On an annual comparison, the largest payroll increase occurred in Fabricated Metals (+400), followed by upturns of 200 each in Lumber/Furniture and Mis-

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NEW IMMIGRATION LAW MAY MEAN STEEP FINES FOR EMPLOYERS OF ILLEGAL ALIENS

The R.I. Department of Employment Security reminds all employers about the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 which makes it illegal for the first time for employers to hire aliens not lawfully in the United States. The new law also requires employers to verify that they have examined documents proving an employee's legal status.

The law provides for fines ranging from $250 to $10,000 for each alien employed illegally and from $100 to $1,000 for failing to keep proper verification records. The imposition of the sanctions, however, will be delayed until May 1, 1987, while the Immigration and Naturalization Service conducts an extensive employer education program. After that time, the first offense will result in a warning citation.

At present, employers need not change present employment practices (unless they include knowingly hiring illegal aliens) nor release any current employees, regardless of their status, until official information and instructions are distributed. Employers should also be aware that the antidiscrimination provisions of the federal law have been broadened to prevent discrimination against workers or applicants based on national origin or because they "look or sound foreign."

The burden on employers to conform to the new law's requirements is not expected to be an onerous one and full information will be available during the coming months.

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Dec. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1985
Total Placements	738	1,168	1,302
New Applications	2,610	2,135	2,945
New Openings	1,389	1,640	1,657

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Dec. 1986	Nov. 1986	% Change Nov. 1986
Initial Claims	19,520	6,352	+ 207.3
No. of Payments	46,878	31,169	+ 50.4
Amt. of Payments	$ 6,179.327	$ 4,008,782	+ 54.1
Exhaustions	922	728	+ 26.6

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	Dec. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1985
Initial Claims	3,145	2,792	2,816
No. of Payments	28,411	22,729	23,634
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,274,366	$ 3,384,628	$ 3,056,659

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Dec. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1985
Civilian	516.0	513.4	504.3
Unemployment	20.8	19.3	22.9
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.0	3.8	4.5
Seas. Adjusted Rate	4.2	4.4	4.7

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Nov. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	333.9	332.4	327.9
Unemployment	12.2	11.0	12.4
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.7	3.3	3.8

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Nov. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	166.5	166.0	165.7
Unemployment	7.2	6.5	7.2
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.3	3.9	4.3

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Nov. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	34,445	35,005	33,360
Unemployment	1,175	915	1,300
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.4	2.6	3.9

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NOVEMBER 17-21, 1986

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TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	14.3	14.4	13.8	- 100	+ 500
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	98.9	97.2	95.9	+ 1700	+ 3000
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	23.9	23.8	23.3	+ 100	+ 600
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	106.3	106.6	104.9	- 300	+ 1400
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	57.9	58.0	57.9	- 100	-

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Dec. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1985	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985
ALL MANUFACTURING	120.8	121.5	120.8	- 700	-	$ 328.03	$317.34	40.8	41.0	$8.04	$7.74
DURABLE GOODS	83.0	83.4	82.8	- 400	+ 200	327.61	318.94	40.9	41.1	8.01	7.76
LUMBER/FURNITURE	2.9	2.9	2.7	-	+ 200	373.20	357.87	40.0	39.5	9.33	9.06
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.7	1.7	-	-	420.34	393.05	41.7	41.2	10.08	9.54
PRIMARY METALS	6.2	6.1	6.2	+ 100	-	403.12	371.09	43.3	43.0	9.31	8.63
FABRICATED METALS	10.0	9.9	9.6	+ 100	+ 400	302.19	278.39	40.4	40.7	7.48	6.84
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.7*	5.7*	5.8*	-	- 100	444.51	443.75	44.9	45.7	9.90	9.71
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.2	12.2	12.2	-	-	304.00	302.54	40.0	40.5	7.60	7.47
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.7	9.7	9.6	-	+ 100	415.01	429.52	39.6	41.3	10.48	10.40
INSTRUMENTS	5.6*	5.6*	5.7*	-	- 100	345.83	331.81	43.5	44.9	7.95	7.39
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.1	23.3	23.6	- 200	- 500	262.63	259.16	41.1	41.4	6.39	6.26
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.9	6.3	5.7	- 400	+ 200	241.84	233.20	35.1	34.6	6.89	6.74
NONDURABLE GOODS	37.8	38.1	38.0	- 300	- 200	330.08	309.26	40.7	40.8	8.11	7.58
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.5	3.5	3.5	-	-	270.05	253.64	37.3	37.8	7.24	6.71
TEXTILES	10.7	10.7	10.7	-	-	307.86	298.50	42.0	42.4	7.33	7.04
APPAREL	3.3	3.3	3.3	-	-	289.58	261.23	42.9	40.5	6.75	6.45
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.8	2.8	2.6	-	+ 200	298.08	284.96	41.4	41.6	7.20	6.85
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.4	6.5	6.4	- 100	-	418.49	425.86	37.6	39.8	11.13	10.70
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	2.8	2.8	3.0	-	- 200	434.25	410.59	41.2	41.6	10.54	9.87
RUBBER PRODUCTS	0.7	0.7	0.7	-	-	337.01	322.22	41.3	41.1	8.16	7.84
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.3	5.4	5.5	- 100	- 200	338.62	315.50	41.6	40.5	8.14	7.79
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.3	2.4	2.3	- 100	-	232.43	233.04	39.8	40.6	5.84	5.74

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cellaneous Manufacturing. Jobs in Transportation Equipment showed a gain of 100 compared to a year ago. In contrast, the most notable employment decline (-500) for the twelve month period was registered in Jewelry-Silverware. Also down from their year ago job levels were Nonelectrical Machinery and Instruments (-100 each). Employment in Stone-Clay-Glass, Primary Metals and Electrical Machinery was unchanged from December 1985.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, monthly downturns of 100 each were recorded in Printing-Publishing, Plastics Products and Leather Products, while payrolls in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries posted no change during the November-December period. Compared to a year ago, declines of 200 jobs each in Chemical Products and Plastics Products more than offset an increase of 200 in Paper Products. Employment in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries was unchanged from the year earlier level.

NONMANUFACTURING

Total employment in Rhode Island Nonmanufacturing establishments rose by 1,000 from November to December, largely the result of continued holiday hiring in the Wholesale and Retail Trade segment. The December Nonmanufacturing employment level of 317,400 is also 6,800 jobs greater than the year ago figure of 310,600.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, Wholesale and Retail Trade payrolls increased by 1,700 in December, reflecting additional holiday season workers. At 98,900, this industry was up 3,000 from the previous December. Employment in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate advanced 100 from last month to the current level of 23,900, which was also 600 above the figure recorded a year ago. Contract Construction jobs, at 16,100 and Service employment at 106,300, each registered a seasonal monthly decrease of 300 workers. Nevertheless, the former sector was up 1,300 and the latter increased 1,400 compared to December 1985. Overall Government employment, at 57,900, posted a monthly decline of 100, but showed no change on an annual basis. Although Transportation and Public Utilities payrolls showed a monthly downturn of 100, the December total of 14,300 represents an annual gain of 500 workers.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers rose by 3 cents to $8.04 in mid-December; this represents a gain of 30 cents compared to one year ago. The average work week increased by 0.2 of an hour in December to 40.8 hours, but was down 0.2 of an hour from the December 1985 work week. Average weekly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers in December amounted to $328.03, representing a gain of $2.82 from last month and $10.69 from a year ago.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT DECLINES TO 438,100 IN JANUARY

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 438,100 in January. While this figure represents a loss of 14,100 jobs from the December level of 452,200, it is 10,600 above the January 1986 total of 427,500.

Overall employment in Rhode Island fell in January, mainly as a result of sharp seasonal decreases in the Trade, Services, Construction, Jewelry-Silverware and Miscellaneous Manufacturing divisions of the State's economy, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES REVISED

Published estimates for 1985 and 1986 have been revised to a first quarter 1986 benchmark. Current figures reflect data on new firms, expansion or contraction in existing firms not sampled, as well as noncovered establishments, and also reflect changes in assigned industrial coding caused by product or service changes occurring in 1985-1986.

MANUFACTURING

Overall Manufacturing jobs in Rhode Island declined by 2,200 in January to a level of 118,500. However, this figure represents a gain of 600 from the total of 117,900 reported in January 1986. In the Durable Goods category, the January employment total of 81,200 was down 1,700 from the December level, but increased 500 from the figure reported one year ago. The current Nondurable Goods employment of 37,300 was 500 below the December total but up 100 over the year ago level.

Within the Durable Goods producing sector, the largest monthly job decrease occurred in Jewelry-Silverware (-900), followed by a drop of 600 in Miscellaneous Manufacturing. Downturns of 100 each were posted in Stone-Clay-Glass, Fabricated Metals, and Nonelectrical

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EMPLOYERS! RHODE ISLAND JOB SERVICE CAN HELP YOU

During 1986 the Rhode Island Job Service assisted many employers in filling their job openings. In the calendar year ending December 31, 1986 over 52% of all the job openings listed by employers with the Job Service were filled. A total of 16,748 job placements were made during that twelve-month period. Youth under age 22 accounted for over 47% of these placements and another 11% were veterans, including nearly eight hundred Vietnam-era veterans.

The Job Service is also responsive to the needs of job applicants who experience barriers to employment. More than 740 of the total placements were handicapped job-seekers, another 18% were members of minority groups and 11% of all the individuals placed were 40 years of age or older.

The Job Service is an experienced public employment agency and its trained professional staff can help you fill the openings in your work force. The Job Bank is a computerized listing of job openings statewide. If you need workers call the Job Bank at 277-3588 (or toll-free Enterprise 2265). There is never a fee for using the R.I. Job Service. The Job Service operates a system of eleven local offices throughout Rhode Island. There's one near you. See the listing on page 2 of this Bulletin.

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Jan. 1987	Dec. 1986	Jan. 1986
Total Placements	646	738	1,061
New Applications	2,073	2,610	3,220
New Openings Rec'd.	1,257	1,389	1,867

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Jan. 1987	Dec. 1986	% Change Dec. 1986
Initial Claims	11,198	19,520	- 42.6
No. of Payments	60,639	46,878	+ 29.4
Amt. of Payments	$ 8,104,353	$ 6,179,327	+ 31.2
Exhaustions	968	922	+ 5.0

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	Jan. 1987	Dec. 1986	Jan. 1986
Initial Claims	3,903	3,145	3,604
No. of Payments	23,706	28,411	24,208
Amt. of Payments	$ 3,540,821	$ 4,274,366	$ 3,165,045

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Jan. 1987	Dec. 1986	Jan. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	505.4	519.6	499.3
Unemployment	22.8	19.5	25.6
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.5	3.8	5.1
Seas. Adjusted Rate	3.8	3.8	4.4

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Dec. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	335.7	333.9	328.1
Unemployment	12.9	12.2	14.0
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.8	3.7	4.3

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Dec. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	167.3	166.5	166.0
Unemployment	7.6	7.2	8.9
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.6	4.3	5.4

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Dec. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1985
Civilian Labor Force	34,385	34,445	32,790
Unemployment	1,180	1,175	1,270
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.4	3.4	3.9

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
NOVEMBER 17-21, 1986

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	9,648	100.0
Men	4,886	50.6
Under 45	3,391	69.4
45 and over	1,495	30.6
Women	4,762	49.4
Under 45	3,021	63.4
45 and Over	1,741	36.6
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	833	8.6
Manufactruing	4,146	43.1
Public Utilities	462	4.8
Wholesale and Retail	1,988	20.6
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	293	3.0
Service	1,634	16.9
All Other	292	3.0
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,295	13.4
Clerical and Sales	2,296	23.7
Service	1,464	15.2
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	107	1.1
Processing	401	4.1
Machine Trades	817	8.5
Bench Work	1,156	12.0
Structural Work	1,294	13.4
Miscellaneous	816	8.5
INA	2	0.1

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	Jan. 1987	Dec. 1986	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1986	Jan. 1986
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	438.1	452.2	427.5	- 14,100	+ 10,600
MANUFACTURING	118.5	120.7	117.9	- 2,200	+ 600
NONMANUFACTURING	319.6	331.5	309.6	- 11,900	+ 10,000
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	15.8	17.6	14.2	- 1,800	+ 1,600
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	14.6	14.8	14.0	- 200	+ 600
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	97.1	102.8	94.7	- 5,700	+ 2,400
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	25.1	25.1	24.2	-	+ 900
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	108.3	112.2	104.2	- 3,900	+ 4,100
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	58.7	59.0	58.3	- 300	+ 400

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	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Jan. 1987	Dec. 1986	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1986	Jan. 1986	Jan. 1987	Jan. 1986	Jan. 1987	Jan. 1986	Jan. 1987	Jan. 1986
ALL MANUFACTURING	118.5	120.7	117.9	- 2200	+ 600	330.89	314.65	40.8	40.6	8.11	7.75
DURABLE GOODS	81.2	82.9	80.7	- 1700	+ 500	329.25	316.98	40.9	40.9	8.05	7.75
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.3	3.3	3.0	-	+ 300	376.12	373.01	40.4	40.9	9.31	9.12
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.6	1.7	1.6	- 100	-	421.17	391.27	41.7	40.8	10.10	9.59
PRIMARY METALS	5.5	5.5	5.6	-	- 100	400.46	373.33	43.2	41.9	9.27	8.91
FABRICATED METALS	9.9	10.0	9.8	- 100	+ 100	298.85	283.11	39.9	40.1	7.49	7.06
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.8*	5.9*	5.5*	- 100	+ 300	446.55	433.34	44.7	44.4	9.99	9.76
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.2	12.2	12.1	-	+ 100	308.56	305.59	40.6	40.8	7.60	7.49
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.4	9.4	9.1	-	+ 300	433.61	413.70	41.1	40.4	10.55	10.24
INSTRUMENTS	5.0*	4.9*	4.9*	+ 100	+ 100	338.67	313.02	42.6	42.3	7.95	7.40
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.3	24.2	24.1	- 900	- 800	261.35	254.61	40.9	41.0	6.39	6.21
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.2	5.8	5.0	- 600	+ 200	240.82	229.16	34.6	33.7	6.96	6.80
NONDURABLE GOODS	37.3	37.8	37.2	- 500	+ 100	333.72	311.95	40.5	40.2	8.24	7.76
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.4	3.4	3.4	-	-	273.06	249.31	37.1	37.1	7.36	6.72
TEXTILES	10.2	10.3	10.3	- 100	- 100	310.76	297.62	41.6	41.8	7.47	7.12
APPAREL	2.9	3.0	3.0	- 100	- 100	292.83	269.53	43.0	40.9	6.81	6.77
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.4	2.5	2.4	- 100	-	295.10	287.70	41.1	41.1	7.18	7.00
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.8	6.8	6.4	-	+ 400	414.70	397.88	37.7	37.5	11.00	10.61
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.1	3.1	3.1	-	-	433.42	413.17	41.2	41.4	10.52	9.98
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.2	1.3	1.2	- 100	-	346.52	315.90	41.8	40.5	8.29	7.80
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.1	5.1	5.1	-	-	347.35	308.88	41.9	39.6	8.29	7.80
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.2	2.3	2.3	- 100	- 100	232.06	227.26	39.6	39.8	5.86	5.71

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Machinery. Employment in Instruments showed a monthly gain of 100. Payrolls in the remaining Durable Goods industries were unchanged from December to January. On an annual basis, the only employment decreases were registered in Jewelry-Silverware (-800) and Primary Metals (-100). Conversely, annual job gains were recorded in Lumber/Furniture, Nonelectrical Machinery and Transportation Equipment (+300 each), Miscellaneous Manufacturing (+200), and Fabricated Metals, Electrical Machinery, and Instruments (+100 each). Stone-Clay-Glass employment was unchanged compared to a year ago.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, monthly payroll reductions of 100 each were evident in Textiles, Apparel, Paper Products, Rubber Products, and Leather Products. The remaining segments stayed at their December employment levels. Compared to a year ago, the sole Nondurable Goods employment increase occurred in Printing-Publishing (+400). Annual job declines of 100 each were reported in Textiles, Apparel, and Leather Products. Employment in the five remaining Nondurable Goods industries was unchanged from January 1986.

NONMANUFACTURING

Total employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing sector decreased by 11,900 from December to January, primarily due to seasonal reductions in Wholesale and Retail Trade, Services, and Construction. However, the January total of 319,600 was 10,000 jobs above the January 1986 level of 309,600.

Wholesale and Retail Trade reflected reduced post-holiday activity, declining by 5,700 jobs from December to a level of 97,100; this figure represents an annual increase of 2,400, however. Another sizable employment decrease was reported in the Services category, which fell 3,900 to 108,300, but this was a gain of 4,100 from January 1986. Contract Construction, at 15,800, also displayed a rather large seasonal reduction (-1,800), but again, this segment was up (+1,600) over its year ago figure. Total Government employment declined by 300 monthly to a level of 58,700, but this was up 400 from January 1986. Transportation and Public Utilities, at 14,600, reported a monthly decrease of 200 workers, still, this was 600 higher than the January 1986 total. Although Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate showed no monthly payroll change, its current job level of 25,100 is up 900 compared to a year ago.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 7 cents to $8.11 in January; this represents a gain of 36 cents per hour compared to a year ago. The average work week remained at 40.8 hours in January, but this was 0.2 of an hour greater than the January 1986 work week. Average weekly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers in January amounted to $330.89, which was an increase of $2.86 from December; the current weekly earnings level was also up $16.24 from January of last year. Hours and earnings figures for 1986 have been revised to reflect updated survey data.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT DECREASES SLIGHTLY TO 437,600 IN FEBRUARY

Overall Rhode Island establishment employment declined by 500 in February primarily due to seasonal decreases in the Nonmanufacturing sector, which more than offset gains in several Manufacturing industries, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 437,600 in February. Although this figure represents a decrease of 500 from the January level of 438,100, it is 8,200 jobs above the February 1986 total of 429,400.

MANUFACTURING

Overall Manufacturing employment increased by 700 in the January-February period. In addition, the current factory total of 119,200 is 800 more than the year earlier figure of 118,400. In the Durable Goods category, the February employment level of 81,800 was up 600 from last month and was 700 greater than the total recorded a year ago. Employment in the Nondurable Goods sector increased by 100 on both a monthly and an annual basis to the current level of 37,400.

Within the Durable Goods category, the largest monthly job gains were posted in Jewelry-Silverware (+400) and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing sector (+300), followed by an upturn of 100 in Stone-Clay-Glass. In contrast, declines of 100 jobs each were registered in Lumber/Furniture and Fabricated Metals, while employment in the remaining Durable Goods industries showed no change from last month. Compared to a year ago, payroll advances of 200 each occurred in Stone-Clay-Glass, Fabricated Metals, Nonelectrical Machinery and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing seg-

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EMPLOYERS! HELP YOURSELF BY HELPING YOUTH THIS SUMMER

This summer you can give a young person the chance of a life-time - for a life-time of success.

Your firm or business can save in taxes by taking a credit for hiring young people for summer jobs. The Targeted Jobs Tax Credit allows you to give young people an opportunity for a job and give your business a tax break at the same time.

By hiring an eligible young person between May 1 and September 15 you can earn a tax credit of 85% of the first $3,000 paid in wages to each eligible employee for a maximum credit of $2,550.

To be eligible, the youth must be:

- -16-17 years of age
- -Economically disadvantaged
- -First-time employee of your company
- -Employed a minimum of 14 days or 20 hours

The Targeted Jobs Tax Credit program is different and its easy. Only two simple forms are used to establish the new worker's eligibility for the credit. The Rhode Island Job Service will do the determination for you.

List your TJTC Summer Youth job orders with the Rhode Island Job Service. Call 277-3588 or any local office listed on page two of this Bulletin.

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Feb. 1987	Jan. 1987	Feb. 1986
Total Placements	780	646	1,089
New Applications	2,171	2,073	3,741
New Openings Rec'd.	1,544	1,257	1,975

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Feb. 1987	Jan. 1987	% Change Jan. 1987
Initial Claims	7,745	11,198	- 30.8
No. of Payments	59,623	60,639	- 1.7
Amt. of Payments	$ 8,174,643	$ 8,104,353	+ 0.9
Exhaustions	935	968	- 3.4

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	Feb. 1987	Jan. 1987	Feb. 1986
Initial Claims	3,490	3,903	3,434
No. of Payments	23,801	23,706	21,748
Amt. of Payments	$ 3,651,452	$ 3,540,821	$ 2,851,713

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Feb. 1987	Jan. 1987	Feb. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	504.9	505.4	500.8
Unemployment	23.6	22.8	25.5
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.7	4.5	5.1
Seas. Adjusted Rate	4.0	3.8	4.4

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Jan. 1987	Dec. 1986	Jan. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	330.1	339.5	325.2
Unemployment	14.1	12.2	15.9
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.3	3.6	4.9

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Jan. 1987	Dec. 1986	Jan. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	164.4	166.9	164.5
Unemployment	9.0	7.2	9.6
Rate (Unadjusted)	5.5	4.3	5.8

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Jan. 1987	Dec. 1986	Jan. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	33,575	34,400	32,840
Unemployment	1,365	1,120	1,585
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.1	3.3	4..8

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
FEBURARY 16-20, 1987

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	17,204	100.0
Men	10,275	59.7
Under 45	7,303	71.1
45 and over	2,972	28.9
Women	6,929	40.3
Under 45	4,241	61.2
45 and Over	2,688	38.8
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	3,151	18.3
Manufactruing	5,779	33.6
Public Utilities	1,046	6.1
Wholesale and Retail	2,046	11.9
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	433	2.5
Service	2,240	13.0
All Other	2,509	14.6
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,150	6.7
Clerical and Sales	2,240	13.0
Service	1,613	9.4
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	911	5.3
Processing	702	4.1
Machine Trades	2,046	11.9
Bench Work	2,375	13.8
Structural Work	3,480	20.2
Miscellaneous	1,762	10.2
INA	925	5.4

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	Feb. 1987	Jan. 1987	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1987	Feb. 1986
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	437.6	438.1	429.4	- 500	+ 8200
MANUFACTURING	119.2	118.5	118.4	+ 700	+ 800
NONMANUFACTURING	318.4	319.6	311.0	- 1200	+ 7400
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	15.4	15.8	14.0	- 400	+ 1400
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	14.6	14.6	14.0	-	+ 600
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	96.3	97.1	94.0	- 800	+ 2300
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	25.0	25.1	24.4	- 100	+ 600
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	108.6	108.3	105.6	+ 300	+ 3000
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	58.5	58.7	59.0	- 200	- 500

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Feb. 1987	Jan. 1987	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1987	Feb. 1986	Feb. 1987	Feb. 1986	Feb. 1987	Feb. 1986	Feb. 1987	Feb. 1986
ALL MANUFACTURING	119.2	118.5	118.4	+ 700	+ 800	330.89	314.74	40.6	40.3	8.15	7.81
DURABLE GOODS	81.8	81.2	81.1	+ 600	+ 700	327.22	315.90	40.8	40.5	8.02	7.80
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.2	3.3	3.1	- 100	+ 100	378.62	377.48	40.8	41.3	9.28	9.14
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.6	1.5	+ 100	+ 200	406.14	381.20	40.9	40.0	9.93	9.53
PRIMARY METALS	5.5	5.5	5.7	-	- 200	392.12	383.18	42.3	43.2	9.27	8.87
FABRICATED METALS	9.8	9.9	9.6	- 100	+ 200	302.00	279.74	40.0	39.4	7.55	7.10
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.8*	5.8*	5.6*	-	+ 200	444.27	431.48	43.9	44.3	10.12	9.74
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.2	12.2	12.2	-	-	307.89	304.78	40.3	40.8	7.64	7.47
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.4	9.4	9.3	-	+ 100	425.49	409.42	40.6	40.1	10.48	10.21
INSTRUMENTS	5.0*	5.0*	5.0*	-	-	329.96	306.50	41.4	41.5	7.97	7.39
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.7	23.3	23.8	+ 400	- 100	260.18	255.67	40.4	40.2	6.44	6.36
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.5	5.2	5.3	+ 300	+ 200	242.56	235.63	34.9	34.6	6.95	6.81
NONDURABLE GOODS	37.4	37.3	37.3	+ 100	+ 100	331.17	312.80	39.9	40.0	8.30	7.82
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.3	3.4	3.4	- 100	- 100	277.11	253.26	37.6	37.8	7.37	6.70
TEXTILES	10.3	10.2	10.4	+ 100	- 100	306.94	295.18	41.2	41.4	7.45	7.13
APPAREL	3.0	2.9	3.0	+ 100	-	284.18	273.41	42.1	41.3	6.75	6.62
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.4	2.4	2.4	-	-	295.51	292.93	41.1	41.2	7.19	7.11
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.7	6.8	6.4	- 100	+ 300	412.18	410.58	37.1	38.3	11.11	10.72
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.1	3.1	3.1	-	-	420.43	406.81	40.7	40.6	10.33	10.02
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.3	1.2	1.2	+ 100	+ 100	341.54	315.19	41.6	40.1	8.21	7.86
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.1	5.1	5.1	-	-	336.20	304.58	41.1	39.3	8.18	7.75
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.2	2.2	2.3	-	- 100	234.02	215.00	39.8	38.6	5.88	5.57

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ment. Also up from their year ago job levels were Lumber/Furniture and Transportation Equipment (+100 each). Conversely, annual downturns were reported in Primary Metals (-200) and Jewelry-Silverware (-100). Employment in Electrical Machinery and Instruments was unchanged for the twelve month period.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, monthly payroll advances of 100 each in Textiles, Apparel and Rubber Products overshadowed decreases of 100 each in Food-Beverage and Printing-Publishing. Job levels in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries showed no change for the month. Compared to February 1986, the most noteworthy job gain (+300) was evident in Printing-Publishing, followed by an increase of 100 in Rubber Products. Annual employment reductions of 100 each occurred in Food-Beverage, Textiles and Leather Products. Payroll levels in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries showed no change from February 1986.

NONMANUFACTURING

Total employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing establishments declined by 1,200 from January to February, mainly due to continued seasonal layoffs in Wholesale and Retail Trade and Contract Construction. Nevertheless, the February employment level of 318,400 was 7,400 greater than the year ago total of 311,000.

The Services category posted the sole monthly increase in the Nonmanufacturing sector, adding 300 workers. At 108,600, this segment was up 3,000 from a year ago. Wholesale and Retail Trade payrolls declined by 800 for the month to the current level of 96,300, but this represents a gain of 2,300 compared to a year ago. Also reporting a seasonal drop was the Contract Construction industry, which fell by 400 jobs to 15,400; however, this was an increase of 1,400 from one year ago in February. Government employment at 58,500, and Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, at 25,000, posted monthly declines of 200 and 100, respectively. On an annual comparison, the former declined 500, while the latter segment advanced by 600. Although Transportation and Public Utilities employment registered no change for the January-February period, its current total of 14,600 was 600 higher than the year earlier figure.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers rose by 4 cents to $8.15 in mid-February; this represents a gain of 34 cents compared to one year ago. The average work week decreased by 0.2 of an hour in February to 40.6 hours, but was up 0.3 of an hour from the February 1986 work week. Average weekly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers in February amounted to $330.89. While this figure shows no change from last month, it is $16.15 more than the year earlier figure.

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RHODE ISLAND JOBS INCREASE BY 3,500 IN MARCH TO 441,100

Total establishment employment in Rhode Island rose substantially in March, with gains occurring in both the Manufacturing and Nonmanufacturing sectors, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 441,100 in March. This represents a monthly gain of 3,500 jobs and is 8,600 greater than the March 1986 level of 432,500.

MANUFACTURING

Overall manufacturing employment in Rhode Island rose by 1,000 from February to March. Moreover, the current figure of 120,200 is 1,400 more than the year earlier level of 118,800. In the Durable Goods category, the March employment total of 82,500 was up 700 from the previous month and increased by 1,100 jobs compared to a year ago. Payrolls in the Nondurable Goods producing industries advanced by 300 on both a monthly and annual basis to the current level of 37,700.

Within the Durable Goods category, the largest monthly job gain was recorded in Jewelry-Silverware (+300), followed by upturns of 100 each in Primary Metals, Fabricated Metals, Nonelectrical Machinery and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment. Employment in the remaining Durable Goods industries was unchanged for the month. On an annual comparison, the most

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Rhode Island employers in the private sector are again eligible for income tax credits when they hire workers from select targeted groups.

The Targeted Jobs Tax Credit program (TJTC) is a cost-effective method of increasing private sector employment opportunities for certain workers while offering tax-paying business and industry direct financial incentives to make more and better jobs available and to retain those workers in the critical first year of employment.

The tax credit amounts to 40 percent of the first-year wages paid to eligible workers, up to $2,400 per worker. All you need do to qualify is retain the worker for at least 90 days or 120 hours of paid employment. There are nine groups of targeted workers — persons who normally have difficulty finding and holding a job.

TJTC is unique in its lack of "red tape" — the employer signs a simple declaration form. The R.I. Job Service determines worker eligibility.

For more information about the Targeted Jobs Tax Credit program contact any office of the R.I. Job Service — they're listed on page 2 of this Bulletin — or call 277-3724.

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Mar. 1987	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1986
Total Placements	746	780	1,141
New Applications	2,739	2,171	3,118
New Openings Rec'd.	2,551	1,544	2,557

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Mar. 1987	Feb. 1987	% Change Feb. 1987
Initial Claims	6,961	7,745	- 10.1
No. of Payments	65,393	59,623	+ 9.7
Amt. of Payments	$ 9,094,921	$ 8,174,643	+ 11.3
Exhaustions	1,186	935	+ 26.8

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	Mar. 1987	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1986
Initial Claims	3,843	3,490	3,618
No. of Payments	29,377	23,801	23,113
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,504,266	$ 3,651,452	$ 3,019,550

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Mar. 1987	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	506.0	504.9	502.5
Unemployment	21.9	23.6	23.9
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.3	4.7	4.8
Seas. Adjusted Rate	3.9	4.0	4.3

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Rate (Unadjusted)	5.5	5.5	5.8

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Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Feb. 1987	Jan. 1987	Feb. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	33,590	33,575	32,940
Unemployment	1,425	1,365	1,480
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.2	4.1	4.5

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CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	15.8	15.4	14.5	+ 400	+ 1300
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	14.6	14.6	14.0	-	+ 600
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	96.9	96.3	94.7	+ 600	+ 2200
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	25.1	25.0	24.5	+ 100	+ 600
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	109.8	108.6	107.1	+ 1200	+ 2700
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	58.7	58.5	58.9	+ 200	- 200

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	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
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ALL MANUFACTURING	120.2	119.2	118.8	+1000	+1400	$ 333.34	$316.68	40.8	40.6	$ 8.17	$ 7.80
DURABLE GOODS	82.5	81.8	81.4	+ 700	+1100	329.25	318.24	40.9	40.8	8.05	7.80
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.2	3.2	3.1	-	+ 100	385.63	374.95	41.2	40.8	9.36	9.19
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.7	1.6	-	+ 100	410.64	379.27	40.9	39.1	10.04	9.70
PRIMARY METALS	5.6	5.5	5.7	+ 100	- 100	389.90	394.20	43.0	43.8	9.30	9.00
FABRICATED METALS	9.9	9.8	9.6	+ 100	+ 300	301.20	285.22	40.0	40.4	7.53	7.06
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.9*	5.8*	5.8*	+ 100	+ 100	439.50	427.50	43.3	44.3	10.15	9.65
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.2	12.2	12.2	-	-	306.32	307.42	40.2	41.6	7.62	7.39
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.4	9.4	9.3	-	+ 100	421.54	417.18	40.3	40.7	10.46	10.25
INSTRUMENTS	5.0*	5.0*	5.0*	-	-	331.52	307.16	41.7	40.9	7.95	7.51
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	24.0	23 7	23.6	+ 300	+ 400	257.68	252.63	40.2	40.1	6.41	6.30
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.6	5.5	5.5	+ 100	+ 100	245.70	242.51	35.2	35.3	6.98	6.87
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FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.3	3.3	3.2	-	+ 100	281.56	254.25	38.1	37.5	7.39	6.78
TEXTILES	10.4	10.3	10.5	+ 100	- 100	302.33	300.42	40.8	41.9	7.41	7.17
APPAREL	3.1	3.0	3.1	+ 100	-	287.05	276.12	42.4	41.9	6.77	6.59
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.4	2.4	2.4	-	-	295.10	297.88	41.1	41.2	7.18	7.23
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.7	6.7	6.5	-	+ 200	414.77	406.60	37.4	38.0	11.09	10.70
CHEMICAL PROD JCTS	3.2	3.1	3.1	+ 100	+ 100	418.99	403.61	40.6	40.2	10.32	10.04
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.2	1.3	1.2	- 100		345.27	319.06	41.8	40.8	8.26	7.82
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.1	5.1	5.1	-	-	337.01	308.77	40.8	40.1	8.26	7.70
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.3	2.2	2.3	+ 100	.-	240.78	214.95	40.4	38.8	5.96	5.54

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substantial payroll increases occurred in Jewelry-Silverware (+400) and Fabricated Metals (+300). Also up from their year ago job levels were Lumber/Furniture, Stone-Clay-Glass, Nonelectrical Machinery, Transportation Equipment and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing category (+100 each). For the twelve month period, the sole employment decrease was posted in Primary Metals (-100), while the remaining segments showed no annual change.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, a monthly increase of 100 jobs each was reported in Textiles, Apparel, Chemical Products and Leather Products. In contrast, payrolls in Rubber Products declined 100 from the prior month. Employment in the four remaining Nondurable Goods categories was unchanged from February to March. Compared to a year ago, an upturn of 200 jobs was registered in Printing-Publishing, followed by gains of 100 each in Food-Beverage and Chemical Products. The only employment decrease from a year ago was recorded in Textiles (-100), while the remaining Nondurable Goods industries stayed at their March 1986 levels.

NONMANUFACTURING

Total Employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing sector rose by 2,500 in the February-March period, primarily the result of hiring in Services, Trade and Contract Construction. The current Nonmanufacturing figure of 320,900 is also 7,200 above the year ago level of 313,700.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, the most sizable monthly increase (+1,200) occurred in the Services category. At 109,800, this industry was up 2,700 from the previous March. Employment in Wholesale and Retail Trade increased by 600 to the current level of 96,900, which was 2,200 greater than the year earlier figure. Contract Construction payrolls, at 15,800, reflected a monthly gain of 400, while overall Government employment, at 58,700 recorded an increase of 200 for the same time period. Compared to a year ago, the former was up 1,300 and the latter decreased by 200 jobs. As a result of a monthly upturn of 100, Finance, Insurance and Real Estate employment rose to 25,100, representing an increase of 600 from the same month a year ago. Although payrolls in Transportation and Public Utilities remained stable from February to March, the current job total of 14,600 reflects an increase of 600 from the March 1986 figure.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 2 cents to $8.17 in mid-March; this represents a gain of 37 cents compared to one year ago. The average work week increased by 0.2 of an hour in March to 40.8 hours, which was also 0.2 of an hour more than the March 1986 work week. Average weekly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers in March amounted to $333.34, representing an increase of $2.45 from last month and $16.66 from March of last year.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT INCREASES TO 445,500 IN APRIL

Overall Rhode Island establishment employment increased by 4,400 in the March-April period, as continued seasonal gains in the Nonmanufacturing sector more than offset a slight decrease in Manufacturing, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 445,500 in April. This represents a gain of 4,400 from the March level and is 6,600 greater than the April 1986 figure of 438,900.

MANUFACTURING

Total Manufacturing employment in Rhode Island decreased by 400 in April to 119,800. However, this figure was 900 jobs more than the April 1986 level of 118,900. Employment in the Durable Goods sector declined by 400 from March to 82,100, but was up 500 compared to a year ago. The current Nondurable Goods employment total of 37,700 was unchanged from the March level, but showed a gain of 400 jobs from the figure recorded in April 1986.

Within the Durable Goods category, a monthly payroll increase of 100 in Lumber/Furniture was overshadowed by decreases of 100 each in Primary Metals, Nonelectrical Machinery, Transportation Equipment, Jewelry-Silverware and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing industry. The remaining Durable Goods industries were unchanged from their March employment levels. Compared to a year ago, the largest employment gain in Durable Goods was recorded in Jewelry-Silverware (+600), followed by Fabricated Metals (+300) and

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WORK FORCE 2000 TRENDS

Rhode Island employers! Did you know....

- The population and the labor force will grow very slowly over the next 15 years. (By the year 2000 the work force will increase by only 1% annually.)
- The pool of young workers entering the labor market will shrink.
- With the decline of young workers, the average age of the work force will rise. (Average age of the work force will increase from 35 today to 39 in 2000.)
- More women will enter the work force, although the rate of increase will taper off.
- Immigrants will represent the largest share of the increase in population and work force since World War I.
- Most labor force growth through the year 2000 will come from groups in the population that have traditionally been underutilized and suffer from labor market problems.
- Jobs will continue to shift from goods-producing industries to service sector. (Predictions are that by 1995, 90% of the new jobs will be in services and only 8% in manufacturing.)
- International competition and technological change means that many new and existing jobs will require higher levels of analytic skills.
- Rapid turnover and change of industries and firms will require workers to adjust more quickly and more often.
- Between now and 2000, labor markets may be tighter than any time in recent history. Employers may face skill shortages.
- A key ingredient for economic growth over the next 15 years will be a willingness by individuals, companies, unions, government and other instititions to adapt and respond to a rapidly changing economy.

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Apr. 1987	Mar. 1987	Apr. 1986
Total Placements	971	746	1,341
New Applications	2,482	2,739	3,064
New Openings Rec'd.	2,369	2,551	2,601

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Apr. 1987	Mar. 1987	% Change Mar. 1987
Initial Claims	6,275	6,961	- 9.9
No. of Payments	49,067	65,393	- 25.0
Amt. of Payments	$ 6,552,783	$ 9,094,921	- 28.0
Exhaustions	1,294	1,186	+ 9.1

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	Apr. 1987	Mar. 1987	Apr. 1986
Initial Claims	3,598	3,843	3,654
No. of Payments	25,074	29,377	25,750
Amt. of Payments	$ 3,887,015	$ 4,504,266	$ 3,406,684

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Apr. 1987	Mar. 1987	Apr. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	512.3	506.0	507.1
Unemployment	21.9	21.9	21.4
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.3	4.3	4.2
Seas. Adjusted Rate	4.2	3.9	4.1

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Mar. 1987	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	330.5	329.9	327.9
Unemployment	13.8	14.8	15.2
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.2	4.5	4.6

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Mar. 1987	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	164.6	163.3	164.0
Unemployment	8.8	9.0	9.0
Rate (Unadjusted)	5.3	5.5	5.5

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Mar. 1987	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	33,665	33,590	33,165
Unemployment	1,300	1,425	1,365
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.9	4.2	4.1

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
FEBURARY 16-20, 1987

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	17,204	100.0
Men	10,275	59.7
Under 45	7,303	71.1
45 and over	2,972	28.9
Women	6,929	40.3
Under 45	4,241	61.2
45 and Over	2,688	38.8
industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	3,151	18.3
Manufactruing	5,779	33.6
Public Utilities	1,046	6.1
Wholesale and Retail	2,046	11.9
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	433	2.5
Service	2,240	13.0
All Other	2,509	14.6
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,150	6.7
Clerical and Sales	2,240	13.0
Service	1,613	9.4
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	911	5.3
Processing	702	4.1
Machine Trades	2,046	11.9
Bench Work	2,375	13.8
Structural Work	3,480	20.2
Miscellaneous	1,762	10.2
INA	925	5.4

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	Apr. 1987	Mar. 1987	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1987	Apr. 1986
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	445.5	441.1	438.9	+ 4400	+ 6600
MANUFACTURING	119.8	120.2	118.9	- 400	+ 900
NONMANUFACTURING	325.7	320.9	320.0	+ 4800	+ 5700
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	17.4	15.8	16.8	+ 1600	+ 600
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	14.7	14.6	14.3	+ 100	+ 400
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	98.2	96.9	96.4	+ 1300	+ 1800
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	25.1	25.1	24.7	-	+ 400
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	111.5	109.8	109.1	+ 1700	+ 2400
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	58.8	58.7	58.7	+ 100	+ 100

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Apr. 1987	Mar. 1987	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1987	Apr. 1986	Apr. 1987	Apr. 1986	Apr. 1987	Apr. 1986	Apr. 1987	Apr. 1986
ALL MANUFACTURING	119.8	120.2	118.9	- 400	+900	$ 332.93	319.52	40.7	40.6	$ 8.18	7.87
DURABLE GOODS	82.1	82.5	81.6	- 400	+500	328.85	319.12	40.8	40.6	8.06	7.86
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.3	3.2	3.3	+100	-	386.16	376.48	41.3	40.7	9.35	9.25
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.7	1.7	-	-	411.26	392.40	40.8	40.0	10.08	9.81
PRIMARY METALS	5.5	5.6	5.5	- 100	-	402.12	392.73	43.1	43.3	9.33	9.07
FABRICATED METALS	9.9	9.9	9.6	-	+300	300.60	286.53	39.5	40.3	7.61	7.11
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.8*	5.9*	6.0*	- 100	- 200	436.72	434.32	42.9	44.5	10.18	9.76
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.2	12.2	12.1	-	+100	314.11	301.76	40.9	41.0	7.68	7.36
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.3	9.4	9.5	- 100	- 200	418.70	422.87	39.8	40.7	10.52	10.39
INSTRUMENTS	5.0*	5.0*	5.0*	-	-	332.03	310.84	41.4	40.9	8.02	7.60
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.9	24.0	23.3	- 100	+600	259.05	249.77	40.1	39.9	6.46	6.26
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.5	5.6	5.6	- 100	- 100	252.39	247.65	35.8	36.1	7.05	6.86
NONDURABLE GOODS	37.7	37.7	37.3	-	+400	334.49	319.55	40.3	40.5	8.30	7.89
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.2	3.3	3.0	- 100	+200	285.39	256.43	37.9	37.6	7.53	6.82
TEXTILES	10.3	10.4	10.5	- 100	- 200	307.43	298.49	41.1	41.4	7.48	7.21
APPAREL	3.1	3.1	3.2	-	- 100	287.80	277.53	42.2	42.5	6.82	6.53
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.4	2.4	2.4	-	-	294.03	293.45	40.5	41.1	7.26	7.14
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.8	6.7	6.8	+100	-	421.12	414.34	37.6	38.4	11.20	10.79
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.1	3.2	3.0	- 100	+100	425.54	420.45	40.8	40.9	10.43	10.28
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.2	1.2	1.2	-	-	346.93	329.94	41.9	42.3	8.28	7.80
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.2	5.1	4.9	+100	+300	337.82	309.64	40.8	39.8	8.28	7.78
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.4	2.3	2.3	+100	+100	239.20	224.87	40.0	40.3	5.98	5.58

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Electrical Machinery (+100). Annual declines of 200 each were reported in Nonelectrical Machinery and Transportation Equipment, while the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment was down 100 for the same period. Employment in the remaining Durable Goods industries was unchanged from a year earlier.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, monthly job gains of 100 each occurred in Printing-Publishing, Plastics Products and Leather Products. In contrast, monthly downturns of 100 each were posted in Food-Beverage, Textiles and Chemical Products. Employment in Apparel, Paper Products and Rubber Products was unchanged from last month. On an annual comparison, the largest increase in the number of jobs was registered in Plastics Products (+300). Also up from their year ago employment totals were Food-Beverage (+200), Chemical Products (+100) and Leather Products (+100). Contrary to this, a decline of 200 workers was reported in Textiles, while Apparel jobs decreased by 100 for the twelve month period. Payroll levels in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries were unchanged from April 1986.

NONMANUFACTURING

Overall employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing establishments rose by 4,800 from March to April, mainly the result of continued seasonal gains in Services, Construction and Trade. The current level of 325,700 also represents an increase of 5,700 jobs compared to the April 1986 figure of 320,000.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, the most sizable monthly increase (+1,700) occurred in the Services segment. At 111,500, Service payrolls were also up 2,400 from the previous April. Employment in Contract Construction advanced by 1,600 to the current level of 17,400, which was 600 above the total recorded a year ago. Wholesale and Retail Trade payrolls, at 98,200, reflected a monthly gain of 1,300 and an annual increase of 1,800. Both Transportation and Public Utilities, at 14,700, and total Government employment, at 58,800, rose by 100 in the March-April period. Compared to April 1986, the former increased by 400 jobs while the latter was up 100. Employment in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate remained at its March level of 25,100, but showed a gain of 400 from its year earlier figure.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 1 cent to $8.18 in mid-April. This represents a gain of 31 cents compared to one year ago. The average work week decreased by 0.1 of an hour in April to 40.7 hours, but was 0.1 of an hour higher than reported in April 1986. Average weekly earnings for these workers in April amounted to $332.93. While this reflects a decrease of 41 cents from last month, it is $13.41 more than was reported in April of last year.

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RHODE ISLAND JOBS INCREASE BY 5,700 IN MAY TO 451,200

Total establishment employment in Rhode Island rose by 5,700 in May to its highest level this year, due almost entirely to gains occurring in the Nonmanufacturing sector, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 451,200 in May. This represents an increase of 5,700 from the April level and is 6,600 greater than the May 1986 figure of 444,600.

MANUFACTURING

Overall Rhode Island factory employment increased by 200 in May to 120,000. In addition, this was 1,000 jobs more than the year ago total of 119,000. Employment in the Durable Goods category was unchanged from the April level of 82,100, but was up 700 compared to the year earlier figure. The current Nondurable Goods manufacturing total of 37,900 reflects a monthly gain of 200 jobs and an annual increase of 300 jobs.

Within the Durable Goods category, employment in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment rose by 200 from April to May. Additional monthly gains of 100 each were reported in Lumber/Furniture and Nonelectrical Machinery. In contrast to this, monthly declines of 100 each were posted in Primary Metals, Electrical Machinery, Transportation Equipment and Jewelry-Silverware. Employment in the remaining Durable Goods industries showed no change from last month. Compared to a year ago the most substantial job gains in the Durable Goods

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JOB OPENINGS WANTED FOR THE CLASS OF '87

Department of Employment Security Director John S. Renza urges Rhode Island employers with job openings to consider hiring from the Class of '87 – those young men and women graduating from college, from business and vocational schools and from high schools who may be looking for their first job. These young people are eager to join the ranks of wage earners and contributors to Rhode Island's economy – and they are looking to you for that first opportunity.

The eleven local offices of the Rhode Island Job Service are prepared to process applications for the graduates and to evaluate their abilities, aptitudes and interests in order to match the job-seeker to the needs of the employer. And, of course, there's never a fee for any of these services.

Rhode Island employers are reminded that job orders can be listed with the Job Bank - 277-3588 or toll-free Enterprise 2265. Job Bank listings receive next-day statewide exposure. Employers may also list job openings with the nearest Job Service office. A listing appears on page two of this Bulletin.

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	May 1987	Apr. 1987	May 1986
Total Placements	853	971	934
New Applications	2,116	2,482	2,565
New Openings Rec'd.	2,581	2,369	3,289

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	May 1987	Apr. 1987	% Change Apr.1987
Initial Claims	4,937	6,275	- 21.3
No. of Payments	35,688	49,067	- 27.3
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,590,999	$ 6,552,783	- 29.9
Exhaustions	999	1,294	- 22.8

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	May 1987	Apr. 1987	May 1986
Initial Claims	3,351	3,598	3,592
No. of Payments	24,919	25,074	23,898
Amt. of Payments	$ 3,871,352	$ 3,887,015	$ 3,139,063

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	May 1987	April 1987	May 1986
Civilian Labor Force	518.8	512.3	512.9
Unemployment	19.9	21.9	20.0
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.8	4.3	3.9
Seas. Adjusted Rate	4.0	4.2	4.2

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Apr. 1987	Mar. 1987	Apr. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	333.9	330.5	330.3
Unemployment	13.6	13.8	13.7
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.1	4.2	4.1

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Apr. 1987	Mar. 1987	Apr. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	165.9	164.6	163.9
Unemployment	8.4	8.8	8.0
Rate (Unadjusted)	5.1	5.3	4.9

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Apr. 1987	Mar. 1987	Apr. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	34,235	33,665	34,360
Unemployment	1,240	1,300	1,125
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.6	3.9	3.3

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
May 18-22, 1987

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	9,718	100.0
Men	4,839	49.8
Under 45	3,355	69.3
45 and over	1,484	30.7
Women	4,879	50.2
Under 45	2,897	59.4
45 and Over	1,982	40.6
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	970	10.0
Manufactruing	5,226	53.8
Public Utilities	235	2.4
Wholesale and Retail	1,469	15.1
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	194	2.0
Service	1,400	14.4
All Other	224	2.3
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,040	10.7
Clerical and Sales	1,899	19.6
Service	998	10.3
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	42	0.4
Processing	305	3.1
Machine Trades	1,248	12.8
Bench Work	1,622	16.7
Structural Work	1,345	13.8
Miscellaneous	1,165	12.0
INA	54	0.6

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	May 1987	April 1987	May 1986	April 1987	May 1986
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	451.2	445.5	444.6	+ 5,700	+ 6,600
MANUFACTURING	120.0	119.8	119.0	+ 200	+ 1,000
NONMANUFACTURING	331.2	325.7	325.6	+ 5,500	+ 5,600
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	18.4	17.4	17.8	+ 1,000	+ 600
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	14.9	14.7	14.7	+ 200	+ 200
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	100.1	98.2	98.8	+ 1,900	+ 1,300
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	25.4	25.1	24.9	+ 300	+ 500
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	113.2	111.5	111.0	+ 1,700	+ 2,200
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	59.2	58.8	58.4	+ 400	+ 800

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	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	May 1987	April 1987	May 1986	April 1987	May 1986	May 1987	May 1986	May 1987	May 1986	May 1987	May 1986
ALL MANUFACTURING	120.0	119.8	119.0	+200	+1000	329.64	319.55	40.2	40.5	8.20	7.89
DURABLE GOODS	82.1	82.1	81.4	-	+ 700	324.41	318.74	40.2	40.5	8.07	7.87
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.4	3.3	3.3	+100	+ 100	383.80	376.58	40.4	40.8	9.50	9.23
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.7	1.7	-	-	419.57	400.66	41.5	40.8	10.11	9.82
PRIMARY METALS	5.4	5.5	5.3	- 100	+ 100	399.16	393.50	42.6	43.1	9.37	9.13
FABRICATED METALS	9.9	9.9	9.5	-	+ 400	311.45	287.52	40.5	40.1	7.69	7.17
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.9*	5.8*	5.9*	+100	-	438.44	436.19	42.9	44.6	10.22	9.78
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.1	12.2	12.1	- 100	-	314.83	293.72	41.1	39.8	7.66	7.38
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.2	9.3	9.5	- 100	- 300	425.60	420.80	40.0	40.5	10.64	10.39
INSTRUMENTS	5.0*	5.0*	5.0*	-	-	332.86	317.48	41.4	41.5	8.04	7.65
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.8	23.9	23.3	- 100	+ 500	255.57	250.11	39.5	39.7	6.47	6.30
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.7	5.5	5.8	+200	- 100	253.11	256.41	35.7	37.0	7.09	6.93
NONDURABLE GOODS	37.9	37.7	37.6	+200	+ 300	335.27	321.18	40.2	40.4	8.34	7.95
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.2	3.2	3.2	-	-	291.45	259.50	38.5	37.5	7.57	6.92
TEXTILES	10.4	10.3	10.5	+100	- 100	309.14	297.36	41.0	41.3	7.54	7.20
APPAREL	3.2	3.1	3.2	+100	-	286.28	272.30	42.1	41.7	6.80	6.53
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.4	2.4	2.4	-	-	297.60	303.16	40.6	41.7	7.33	7.27
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.8	6.8	6.9	-	- 100	429.75	424.79	38.2	38.9	11.25	10.92
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.1	3.1	3.0	-	+ 100	426.94	425.80	40.7	41.1	10.49	10.36
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.3	1.3	1.2	-	+ 100	352.30	325.43	42.6	42.1	8.27	7.73
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.1	5.1	4.8	-	+ 300	335.67	302.64	40.2	39.0	8.35	7.76
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.4	2.4	2.4	-	-	238.20	226.80	39.9	40.5	5.97	5.60

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category were evident in Jewelry-Silverware (+500) and Fabricated Metals (+400). Annual upturns also occurred in Lumber/Furniture and Primary Metals (+100 each). For the twelve month period, the largest job reduction was registered in Transportation Equipment (-300) followed by a decrease of 100 workers in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment. Employment in the remaining Durable goods industries was unchanged from a year ago.

Among the Nondurable goods producing industries monthly job gains of 100 each were recorded in Textiles and Apparel while the remaining industries showed no change from their April levels. On an annual comparison, payroll advances in Plastic Products (+300), Chemical Products (+100) and Rubber Products (+100) more than offset employment declines of 100 each in Textiles and Printing-Publishing. Employment in the four remaining Nondurable Goods industries was unchanged from May 1986.

NONMANUFACTURING

Total employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing sector rose by 5,500 in the April-May period, primarily as a result of seasonal payroll expansion in Trade, Services and Construction. The current Nonmanufacturing figure of 331,200 is also 5,600 jobs above the May 1986 level of 325,600.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, the most sizable monthly job gain (+1,900) occurred in Wholesale and Retail Trade. At 100,100, this industry advanced 1,300 from its year earlier employment level. Similarly, Service payrolls rose 1,700 for the month to 113,200 and were up 2,200 compared to a year ago. Contract Construction jobs, at 18,400, reflected a monthly gain of 1,000 and an annual increase of 600. Overall Government employment increased by 400 from last month to the current level of 59,200, which was 800 more than the year ago figure. Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, at 25,400, and Transportation and Public Utilities, at 14,900, posted monthly increases of 300 and 200, respectively. Compared to a year ago, the former segment added 500 jobs while the latter expanded its payrolls by 200.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 2 cents to $8.20 in mid-May. In addition this represents a gain of 31 cents compared to a year ago. The average work week declined by 0.5 of an hour in May to 40.2 hours and was 0.3 of an hour lower than reported in May 1986. Average weekly earnings for these workers in May amounted to $329.64. While this represents a decrease of $3.29 from last month, it is $10.09 more than the year earlier figure.

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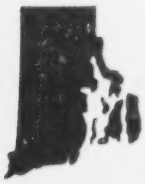

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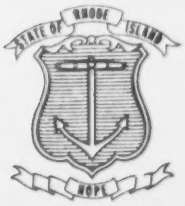

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT TOTALS 451,000 IN JUNE

Overall Rhode Island employment decreased slightly in June as gains in the Manufacturing sector were more than offset by seasonal declines in the Nonmanufacturing sector, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 451,000 in June. While this figure represents a drop of 200 from the May level, it is 6,100 above the June 1986 total of 444,900.

MANUFACTURING

Total manufacturing employment in Rhode Island advanced by 400 in June to 120,400. In addition, this figure represents 500 more jobs than the year ago level of 119,900. In the Durable Goods category, the June employment total of 82,300 was up 200 from last month and showed a gain of 100 compared to a year ago. Employment in the Nondurable Goods sector increased by 200 on a monthly basis to the current level of 38,100, which was 400 jobs more than the total recorded in June 1986.

Within the Durable Goods category, monthly job gains were posted in Lumber/Furniture, Primary Metals and Jewelry-Silverware (+100 each). Employment in Fabricated Metals was down 100, while the remaining Durable Goods industries showed no change from last month. Compared to a year ago, the most sizable advance occurred in Jewelry-Silverware (+500), followed by increases in

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	June 1987	May 1987	June 1986
Total Placements	695	853	1,003
New Applications	2,308	2,116	2,586
New Openings Rec'd.	2,600	2,581	2,525

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	June 1987	May 1987	% Change May 1987
Initial Claims	8,679	4,937	+ 75.8
No. of Payments	38,110	35,688	+ 6.8
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,992,850	$ 4,590,999	+ 8.8
Exhaustions	970	999	- 2.9

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	June 1987	May 1987	June 1986
Initial Claims	3,851	3,351	3,460
No. of Payments	27,614	24,919	23,115
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,306,041	$ 3,871,352	$ 3,021,452

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	June 1987	May 1987	June 1986
Civilian Labor Force	518.4	518.8	514.4
Unemployment	20.0	19.9	20.2
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.9	3.8	3.9
Seas. Adjusted Rate	4.0	4.0	4.0

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	May 1987	Apr. 1987	May 1986
Civilian Labor Force	337.3	333.9	333.1
Unemployment	12.5	13.6	12.8
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.7	4.1	3.8

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	May 1987	Apr. 1987	May 1986
Civilian Labor Force	167.3	165.9	165.1
Unemployment	7.5	8.4	7.5
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.5	5.1	4.5

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	May 1987	Apr. 1987	May 1986
Civilian Labor Force	35,600	34,235	35,640
Unemployment	1,145	1,240	1,010
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.2	3.6	2.8

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
May 18-22, 1987

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	9,718	100.0
Men	4,839	49.8
Under 45	3,355	69.3
45 and over	1,484	30.7
Women	4,879	50.2
Under 45	2,897	59.4
45 and Over	1,982	40.6
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	970	10.0
Manufacturing	5,226	53.8
Public Utilities	235	2.4
Wholesale and Retail	1,469	15.1
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	194	2.0
Service	1,400	14.4
All Other	224	2.3
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,040	10.7
Clerical and Sales	1,899	19.6
Service	998	10.3
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	42	0.4
Processing	305	3.1
Machine Trades	1,248	12.8
Bench Work	1,622	16.7
Structural Work	1,345	13.8
Miscellaneous	1,165	12.0
INA	54	0.6

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	June 1987	May 1987	June 1986	May 1987	June 1986
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	451.0	451.2	444.9	- 200	+ 6,100
MANUFACTURING	120.4	120.0	119.9	+ 400	+ 500
NONMANUFACTURING	330.6	331.2	325.0	- 600	+ 5,600
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	18.9	18.4	18.3	+ 500	+ 600
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	15.1	14.9	14.9	+ 200	+ 200
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	101.7	100.1	100.6	+ 1,600	+ 1,100
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	25.5	25.4	25.1	+ 100	+ 400
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	110.7	113.2	108.5	- 2,500	+ 2,200
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	58.7	59.2	57.6	- 500	+ 1,100

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	June 1987	May 1987	June 1986	May 1987	June 1986	June 1987	June 1986	June 1987	June 1986	June 1987	June 1986
ALL MANUFACTURING	120.4	120.0	119.9	+400	+500	331.68	321.94	40.4	40.7	8.21	7.91
DURABLE GOODS	82.3	82.1	82.2	+200	+100	327.65	320.69	40.5	40.8	8.09	7.86
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.5	3.4	3.4	+100	+100	395.79	383.05	41.1	41.1	9.63	9.32
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.7	1.8	-	-100	416.57	402.52	40.8	40.7	10.21	9.89
PRIMARY METALS	5.5	5.4	5.2	+100	+300	407.21	393.50	43.0	43.1	9.47	9.13
FABRICATED METALS	9.8	9.9	9.6	-100	+200	314.24	294.26	40.6	40.7	7.74	7.23
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.9*	5.9*	5.9*	-	-	444.53	438.77	43.2	44.5	10.29	9.86
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.1	12.1	12.3	-	-200	311.47	296.61	41.2	40.3	7.56	7.36
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.2	9.2	9.6	-	-400	422.68	420.16	39.8	40.4	10.62	10.40
INSTRUMENTS	5.0*	5.0*	5.0*	-	-	322.44	327.51	41.4	42.7	8.03	7.67
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.9	23.8	23.4	+100	+500	258.55	249.24	39.9	40.2	6.48	6.20
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.7	5.7	6.0	-	-300	256.26	257.63	36.4	36.7	7.04	7.02
NONDURABLE GOODS	38.1	37.9	37.7	+200	+400	334.40	323.20	40.0	40.4	8.36	8.00
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.3	3.2	3.2	+100	+100	294.50	268.71	38.0	37.9	7.75	7.09
TEXTILES	10.3	10.4	10.5	-100	-200	306.06	397.77	40.7	41.3	7.52	7.21
APPAREL	3.2	3.2	3.2	-	-	290.11	275.18	42.6	42.4	6.81	6.57
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.4	2.4	2.5	-	-100	302.91	313.65	41.1	42.1	7.37	7.45
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.9	6.8	6.9	+100	-	424.50	428.54	37.5	39.1	11.32	10.96
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.1	3.1	3.1	-	-	427.43	414.28	40.4	40.3	10.58	10.28
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.4	1.3	1.2	+100	+200	351.05	327.10	42.5	41.3	8.26	7.92
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.1	5.1	4.8	-	+300	337.74	309.29	40.4	39.2	8.36	7.89
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.4	2.4	2.3	-	+100	229.49	219.70	38.7	39.8	5.93	5.52

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Primary Metals (+300), Fabricated Metals (+200) and Lumber/Furniture (+100). In contrast, the largest annual employment declines were recorded in Transportation Equipment (-400) and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment (-300). Also down from their year ago job totals were Electrical Machinery (-200) and Stone-Clay-Glass (-100). Employment in Nonelectrical Machinery and Instruments was unchanged for the twelve month period.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, monthly job gains of 100 each in Food-Beverage, Printing-Publishing and Rubber Products overshadowed a decrease of 100 in Textiles. Employment levels in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries showed no change for the month. Compared to June 1986, the most notable increase in payroll levels was evident in Plastics Products (+300). Annual upturns were also registered in Rubber Products (+200), Food-Beverage (+100) and Leather Products (+100). In contrast, job levels in Textiles (-200) and Paper Products (-100) were down from the previous year. Employment in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries was unchanged compared to the same month a year ago.

NONMANUFACTURING

Total employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing sector declined by 600 in the May-June period, mainly due to education-related decreases in Services and Government. Although the current total of 330,600 was below the May figure, it was 5,600 greater than the June 1986 level of 325,000.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, the most substantial monthly increase (+1,600) occurred in Wholesale and Retail Trade. At 101,700, Trade payroll levels were also up 1,100 from the previous June. Employment in Contract Construction advanced by 500 from last month to the current figure of 18,900, which was 600 above the year earlier total. Both Services employment, at 110,700, and total Government, at 58,700, reported education-related decreases of 2,500 and 500, respectively. Compared to a year ago, however, the former was up 2,200, while the latter increased by 1,100 jobs. Transportation and Public Utilities employment, at 15,100, rose by 200 on both a monthly and an annual basis. The current Finance, Insurance and Real Estate job total of 25,500 represents an increase of 100 from the May level and is 400 above the figure recorded a year ago.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 1 cent to $8.21 in mid-June; this represents a gain of 30 cents compared to one year ago. The average work week increased by 0.2 of an hour in June to 40.4 hours, but was 0.3 of an hour less than the June 1986 work week. Average weekly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers in June amounted to $331.68 representing an increase of $2.04 from last month and $9.74 from June of last year.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT DECLINES SEASONALLY TO 446,300 IN JULY

Overall establishment employment in Rhode Island declined by 4,700 in mid-July as a result of vacation-related plant closings in many manufacturing industries, combined with a seasonal downturn in the Nonmanufacturing sector, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 446,300 in July. Although this figure represents a monthly decrease of 4,700 jobs, it is 6,000 above the July 1986 level of 440,300.

MANUFACTURING

Reflecting declines caused mainly by plants closing for vacations, total manufacturing employment dropped by 3,700 in the June-July period. However, the current factory level of 116,700 represents an additional 600 jobs compared to the year earlier figure. In the Durable Goods category, the July employment total of 79,900 showed a decrease of 2,400 from the prior month, but was 100 above the figure reported a year ago. Employment in the Nondurable Goods producing industries fell by 1,300 from last month to a level of 36,800, but was up 500 compared to the July 1986 total.

Within the Durable Goods category, the largest monthly job decrease occurred in Jewelry-Silverware (-1,100). In addition, employment reductions of 200 each were recorded in Primary Metals, Fabricated Metals, Electrical Machinery, Transportation Equipment and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment followed by monthly downturns of 100 each in Lumber/Furniture, Stone-Clay-Glass, and Nonelectrical Machinery. Employment in Instruments was unchanged from last month. Com-

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DES SURVEYS SELECTED RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYERS

Many Rhode Island employers were recently asked to participate in the 1987 Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) survey. This program, administered by the Department of Employment Security in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor, provides basic information on the occupational distribution of jobs in the State. The survey is conducted annually but focuses each year on only a selected segment or segments of the State's economy. In 1987 the OES survey concentrates on Rhode Island's non-manufacturing industries.

The data gleaned from the survey has many uses which include being a major component in developing projections of occupational needs. Current and projected occupational information is an important tool in determining training requirements and providing counseling for persons who are making career decisions.

The OES data also allows employers to compare their firm's occupational composition with their particular industry as a whole. Additionally, OES information can be helpful in market research targeted toward specific groups of workers and in developing company staffing strategies. All information provided by employers is confidential and is not published in such a manner as to be attributable to a specific employer.

DES greatly appreciates the cooperation shown by the many employers selected for this latest, as well as previous, surveys. Further information concerning the Occupational Employment Statistics program is available by writing to DES Research and Statistics, 24 Mason Street, Providence, RI 02903.

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	July 1987	June 1987	July 1986
Total Placements	1,071	695	1,997
New Applications	2,619	2,308	3,354
New Openings Rec'd.	1,646	2,600	2,541

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	July 1987	June 1987	% Change June 1987
Initial Claims	9,497	8,679	+ 9.4
No. of Payments	41,208	38,110	+ 8.1
Amt. of Payments	$ 5,272,331	$ 4,992,850	+ 5.6
Exhaustions	856	970	- 11.8

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	July 1987	June 1987	July 1986
Initial Claims	3,581	3,851	3,450
No. of Payments	24,389	27,614	25,783
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,000,374	$ 4,306,041	$ 3,423,431

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	July 1987	June 1987	July 1986
Civilian Labor Force	514.5	518.4	512.6
Unemployment	20.6	20.0	23.7
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.0	3.9	4.6
Seas. Adjusted Rate	3.7	4.0	4.1

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	June 1987	May 1987	June 1986
Civilian Labor Force	335.9	337.3	331.9
Unemployment	12.7	12.5	13.0
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.8	3.7	3.9

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	June 1987	May 1987	June 1986
Civilian Labor Force	167.4	167.3	166.0
Unemployment	7.3	7.5	7.7
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.4	4.5	4.6

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	June 1987	May 1987	June 1986
Civilian Labor Force	36,160	35,600	36,615
Unemployment	1,115	1,145	1,075
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.1	3.2	2.9

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
May 18-22, 1987

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
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TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	July 1987	June 1987	July 1986	June 1987	July 1986
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	446.3	451.0	440.3	- 4,700	+ 6,000
MANUFACTURING	116.7	120.4	116.1	- 3,700	+ 600
NONMANUFACTURING	329.6	330.6	324.2	- 1,000	+ 5,400
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	19.2	18.9	18.3	+ 300	+ 900
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	15.2	15.1	15.2	+ 100	-
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	101.6	101.7	100.8	- 100	+ 800
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	25.7	25.5	25.2	+ 200	+ 500
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	111.5	110.7	108.9	+ 800	+ 2,600
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	56.4	58.7	55.8	- 2,300	+ 600

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	July 1987	June 1987	July 1986	June 1987	July 1986	July 1987	July 1986	July 1987	July 1986	July 1987	July 1986
ALL MANUFACTURING	116.7	120.4	116.1	-3700	+600	330.00	317.19	40.0	40.1	8.25	7.91
DURABLE GOODS	79.9	82.3	79.8	-2400	+100	328.42	315.59	40.1	40.1	8.19	7.87
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.4	3.5	3.2	- 100	+200	394.97	379.85	41.1	40.8	9.61	9.31
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.6	1.7	1.7	- 100	- 100	410.80	394.40	40.0	40.0	10.27	9.86
PRIMARY METALS	5.3	5.5	5.1	- 200	+200	402.05	387.11	42.5	42.4	9.46	9.13
FABRICATED METALS	9.6	9.8	9.4	- 200	+200	318.39	288.48	40.1	39.9	7.94	7.23
NONELECTRIC MACH.	5.8*	5.9*	5.8*	- 100	-	440.24	421.83	42.7	43.0	10.31	9.81
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	11.9	12.1	11.9	- 200	-	304.67	301.10	40.3	40.2	7.56	7.49
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.0	9.2	9.4	- 200	- 400	435.51	407.95	40.4	39.8	10.78	10.25
INSTRUMENTS	5.0*	5.0*	5.0*	-	-	326.83	322.91	40.6	42.1	8.05	7.67
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	22.8	23.9	22.6	-1100	+200	261.49	248.22	39.5	39.4	6.62	6.30
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.5	5.7	5.7	- 200	- 200	249.22	256.20	35.3	36.6	7.06	7.00
NONDURABLE GOODS	36.8	38.1	36.3	-1300	+500	335.20	321.20	40.0	40.1	8.38	8.01
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.2	3.3	3.0	- 100	+200	287.20	277.25	36.4	38.4	7.89	7.22
TEXTILES	9.9	10.3	10.3	- 400	- 400	307.22	289.88	40.8	40.6	7.53	7.14
APPAREL	3.0	3.2	3.0	- 200	-	295.85	272.00	43.7	41.4	6.77	6.57
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.4	2.4	2.4	-	-	304.96	305.66	41.1	41.7	7.42	7.33
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.9	6.9	6.8	-	+100	416.60	426.97	36.9	39.1	11.29	10.92
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	2.9	3.1	2.9	- 200	-	432.89	422.82	40.8	40.5	10.61	10.44
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.3	1.4	1.2	- 100	+100	352.37	343.44	42.2	42.4	8.35	8.10
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	4.8	5.1	4.5	- 300	+300	337.28	303.41	40.2	38.7	8.39	7.84
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.4	2.4	2.2	-	+200	240.20	215.05	40.1	39.1	5.99	5.50

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pared to a year ago, the most sizable decline in payroll levels was evident in Transportation Equipment (-400), while employment in the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment and Stone-Clay-Glass fell by 200 and 100, respectively. In contrast, annual upturns of 200 each were posted in Lumber/Furniture, Primary Metals, Fabricated Metals and Jewelry-Silverware. Employment in the remaining Durable Goods industries showed no change for the twelve month period.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, Textile employment dropped 400 from last month, while jobs in Plastics Products were off by 300. Also down from their June employment levels were Apparel and Chemical Products (-200 each) followed by Food-Beverage and Rubber Products (-100 each). Employment in the three remaining Nondurable Goods industries was unchanged on a monthly basis. Compared to July 1986, Textile jobs report the only Nondurable Goods decline (-400). Contrary to this, annual advances were registered in Plastics Products (+300), Food-Beverage (+200) and Leather Products (+200). Also showing increases for the twelve month period were Printing-Publishing and Rubber Products (+100 each). Employment in Apparel, Paper Products and Chemical Products was unchanged from the same month a year ago.

NONMANUFACTURING

Overall employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing establishments fell by 1,000 from June to July, primarily due to seasonal decreases in education-related Government jobs. Although the current non-factory total of 329,600 was less than the June figure, it was 5,400 greater than the July 1986 level of 324,200. Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, Services employment, at 111,500, and Contract Construction, at 19,200, posted the largest monthly job gains (+800 and +300, respectively). Compared to a year ago, the former category added 2,600 workers while the latter segment expanded by 900. Employment in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate advanced by 200 to the current level of 25,700, which was 500 above the total recorded a year ago. With a monthly gain of 100, job levels in Transportation and Public Utilities rose to 15,200, but were unchanged compared to July 1986. A monthly decline of 2,300 occurred in overall Government employment, mainly resulting from declines in education-related positions; at 56,400, however, this segment was up 600 from the previous July. Wholesale and Retail Trade employment registered a monthly downturn of 100, although its July payroll total of 101,600 represents an annual gain of 800 workers.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 4 cents to $8.25 in mid-July. This represents a 34 cent per hour gain compared to one year ago. The average work week decreased by 0.4 of an hour in July to 40.0 hours and was down 0.1 of an hour from July 1986. Average weekly earnings for these workers in July amounted to $330.00. Although this represents a decline of $1.68 from last month, it is $12.81 more than was reported in July of last year.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT INCREASES TO 450,100 IN AUGUST

Total establishment employment in Rhode Island rose by 3,800 jobs in August, primarily as a result of employees in the manufacturing sector returning to work following the plant vacation closings in July, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 450,100 in August. This represents a monthly gain of 3,800 jobs and is 6,600 more than the August 1986 level of 443,500.

MANUFACTURING

Overall Manufacturing employment rose 3,700 in the July-August period to a level of 120,400. In addition, the current factory total is 1,300 greater than the year earlier figure of 119,100. In the Durable Goods category, the August employment level of 82,400 was up 2,500 from the prior month and reflects an increase of 700 jobs compared to a year ago. The current Nondurable Goods manufacturing total of 38,000 represents a monthly job gain of 1,200 and an annual increase of 600.

Within the Durable Goods sector, the largest monthly employment increase occurred in Jewelry-Silverware (+1,200), followed by advances in Fabricated Metals (+400) and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment (+300). Moreover, a job gain of 200 was recorded in Non-electrical Machinery while monthly upturns of 100 each were posted in Stone-Clay-Glass, Primary Metals, Electrical Machinery and Transportation Equipment. Employ-

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NATIONAL EMPLOY THE HANDICAPPED WEEK

OCTOBER 4 – 10, 1987

National Employ the Handicapped Week will be observed for the forty-third consecutive year during the period October 4 – 10 as America salutes the hiring records of employers and the achievements of workers with disabilities. Making employment a reality is what the American dream is all about. And people with disabilities are part of this dream. But some are excluded. On occasion people ignore the ABILITY and just see the disability.

Announcing the 43rd National Employ the Handicapped Week, John S. Renza, Director of the R.I. Department of Employment Security, commends the record of many Rhode Island employers who take a positive approach to hiring and retaining handicapped workers.

During Fiscal Year 1987 a total of 1,131 handicapped individuals sought employment through the R.I. Job Service system of local offices. Over 52 percent of them – 593 – were placed in jobs. In the past 43 years the Job Service has accentuated the positive – that a worker's abilities are far more important than his or her limitations.

Employers wanting to hire qualified handicapped workers are encouraged to list their job openings with the Job Bank – 277-3588 or toll-free Enterprise 2265. A listing of all Job Service offices appears on Page 2 of this Bulletin.

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PROVIDENCE, 130 West Exchange St.
Employer Services 277-3573
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Manufacturing & Construction 277-3556
Professional & Clerical 277-3584
Temporary Help 277-3559
WAKEFIELD, Washington County Gov't. Center
Tower Hill Road 789-9721
WARWICK, 50 Airport Road. 737-7550
WESTERLY, 57 Spruce Street. 596-2814
WEST WARWICK, 1330 Main St 828-6134
WOONSOCKET, 217 Pond St 762-9010

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Aug. 1987	July 1987	Aug. 1986
Total Placements	1,007	1,071	3,095
New Applications	2,207	2,619	3,872
New Openings Rec'd.	2,455	1,646	3,960

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Aug. 1987	July 1987	% Change July 1987
Initial Claims	4,456	9,497	- 53.1
No. of Payments	36,642	41,208	- 11.1
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,789,151	$ 5,272,331	- 9.2
Exhaustions	796	856	- 7.0

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	Aug. 1987	July 1987	Aug. 1986
Initial Claims	3,455	3,581	3,131
No. of Payments	27,366	24,389	23,980
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,378,869	$ 4,000,374	$ 3,295,320

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Aug. 1987	July 1987	Aug. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	520.6	514.5	512.9
Unemployment	18.3	20.6	19.9
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.5	4.0	3.9
Seas. Adjusted Rate	3.7	3.7	4.0

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	July 1987	June 1987	July 1986
Civilian Labor Force	332.7	335.9	330.8
Unemployment	13.2	12.7	15.1
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.0	3.8	4.6

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	July 1987	June 1987	July 1986
Civilian Labor Force	166.1	167.4	165.2
Unemployment	7.2	7.3	9.3
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.3	4.4	5.6

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	July 1987	June 1987	July 1986
Civilian Labor Force	36,275	36,160	36,415
Unemployment	1,010	1,115	1,035
Rate (Unadjusted)	2.8	3.1	2.8

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
AUGUST 17-21, 1987

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	10,246	100.0
Men	4,360	42.6
Under 45	2,974	68.2
45 and over	1,386	31.8
Women	5,886	57.4
Under 45	3,405	57.8
45 and Over	2,481	42.2
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	355	3.5
Manufactruing	4,422	43.1
Public Utilities	878	8.6
Wholesale and Retail	1,756	17.1
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	354	3.5
Service	1,880	18.3
All Other	601	5.9
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech: and Managerial	1,818	17.7
Clerical and Sales	2,588	25.3
Service	1,171	11.4
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	31	0.3
Processing	200	2.0
Machine Trades	1,125	11.0
Bench Work	1,140	11.1
Structural Work	662	6.5
Miscellaneous	1,510	14.7
INA	1	0.0

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	Aug. 1987	July 1987	Aug. 1986	July 1987	Aug. 1986
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	450.1	446.3	443.5	+ 3,800	+ 6,600
MANUFACTURING	120.4	116.7	119.1	+ 3,700	+ 1,300
NONMANUFACTURING	329.7	329.6	324.4	+ 100	+ 5,300
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	19.3	19.2	18.4	+ 100	+ 900
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	15.3	15.2	15.2	+ 100	+ 100
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	102.0	101.6	101.0	+ 400	+ 1,000
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	25.7	25.7	25.2	-	+ 500
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	111.3	111.5	108.9	- 200	+ 2,400
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	56.1	56.4	55.7	- 300	+ 400

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	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Aug. 1987	July 1987	Aug. 1986	July 1987	Aug. 1986	Aug. 1987	Aug. 1986	Aug. 1987	Aug. 1986	Aug. 1987	Aug. 1986
ALL MANUFACTURING	120.4	116.7	119.1	+3700	+1300	330.37	319.18	39.9	40.3	8.28	7.92
DURABLE GOODS	82.4	79.9	81.7	+2500	+ 700	326.76	317.16	39.8	40.3	8.21	7.87
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.4	3.4	3.4	-	-	387.03	376.12	40.4	40.4	9.58	9.31
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.6	1.7	+ 100	-	412.80	404.74	40.0	40.8	10.32	9.92
PRIMARY METALS	5.4	5.3	5.2	+ 100	+ 200	401.21	395.23	42.1	43.1	9.53	9.17
FABRICATED METALS	10.0	9.6	9.9	+ 400	+ 100	318.77	290.47	40.3	39.9	7.91	7.28
NONELECTRIC MACH.	6.0*	5.8*	5.8*	+ 200	+ 200	447.62	429.57	43.5	43.7	10.29	9.83
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.0	11.9	12.1	+ 100	- 100	297.20	297.60	38.9	40.0	7.64	7.44
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.1	9.0	9.4	+ 100	- 300	436.91	415.67	39.9	40.2	10.95	10.34
INSTRUMENTS	5.0*	5.0*	4.8*	-	+ 200	321.20	324.59	40.0	42.1	8.03	7.71
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	24.0	22.8	23.5	+1200	+ 500	261.74	251.14	39.3	39.8	6.66	6.31
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.8	5.5	5.9	+ 300	- 100	258.46	248.09	36.3	35.8	7.12	6.93
NONDURABLE GOODS	38.0	36.8	37.4	+1200	+ 600	336.80	323.61	40.0	40.3	8.42	8.03
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.3	3.2	3.2	+ 100	+ 100	295.54	272.88	37.6	37.9	7.86	7.20
TEXTILES	10.5	9.9	10.4	+ 600	+ 100	306.73	293.76	40.2	40.8	7.63	7.20
APPAREL	3.1	3.0	3.1	+ 100	-	295.64	278.57	42.6	42.4	6.94	6.57
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.5	2.4	2.5	+ 100	-	306.61	305.44	41.1	41.5	7.46	7.36
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.9	6.9	6.8	-	+ 100	434.34	428.15	38.1	39.1	11.40	10.95
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.0	2.9	3.1	+ 100	- 100	431.17	425.57	40.6	40.3	10.62	10.56
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.4	1.3	1.2	+ 100	+ 200	349.03	335.74	41.9	41.5	8.33	8.09
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.0	4.8	4.8	+ 200	+ 200	331.30	318.40	39.3	39.9	8.43	7.98
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.3	2.4	2.3	- 100	-	248.68	218.44	40.7	38.8	6.11	5.63

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ment in Lumber/Furniture and Instruments showed no change from last month. Compared to a year ago, the most substantial job gain was registered in Jewelry-Silverware (+500). Annual increases of 200 each were reported in Primary Metals, Nonelectrical Machinery and Instruments, followed by an upturn of 100 in Fabricated Metals. In contrast, declines for the twelve month period were evident in Transportation Equipment (-300), Electrical Machinery (-100) and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment (-100). Employment in Lumber/Furniture and Stone-Clay-Glass was unchanged from a year ago.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, Textile employment (+600) reflected the most sizable monthly increase. Also showing advances from last month were Plastics Products (+200) and Food-Beverage, Apparel, Paper Products, Chemical Products and Rubber Products (+100 each). Employment in Leather Products was down 100 in the July-August period while job levels in Printing-Publishing showed no change.

On an annual comparison, employment upturns of 200 each were reported in Rubber Products and Plastics Products, followed by gains of 100 each in Food-Beverage, Textiles and Printing-Publishing. The only decline for the twelve month period was registered in Chemical Products (-100). Employment in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries was unchanged compared to August 1986.

NONMANUFACTURING

Total employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing sector showed little change from July to August, increasing by 100 to the current level of 329,700. However, this figure does represent a substantial gain of 5,300 jobs from the year earlier figure of 324,400.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, the largest monthly increase (+400) occurred in Wholesale and Retail Trade. At 102,000, employment in this industry was up 1,000 from its August 1986 level. Both Contract Construction, at 19,300, and Transportation and Public Utilities, at 15,300 increased by 100 from the previous month. Compared to a year ago, the former was up 900, while the latter industry advanced by 100. Although overall Government employment fell by 300 for the month to 56,100, it remained 400 above the August 1986 total. Similarly, Services employment, at 111,300, posted a monthly decline of 200 but was up 2,400 from a year ago. Payroll levels in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, showed no change from the July total of 25,700 but were 500 greater than the figure recorded in August 1986.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 3 cents to $8.28 in mid-August. This represents a 36 cent per hour gain compared to one year ago. The average work week decreased by 0.1 of an hour in August to 39.9 hours and was down 0.4 of an hour from August 1986. Average weekly earnings for these workers in August amounted to $330.37 representing an increase of 37 cents from last month and $11.19 from August of last year.

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RHODE ISLAND JOBS INCREASE BY 2,000 IN SEPTEMBER TO 452,100

Total establishment employment in Rhode Island rose by 2,000 jobs in September to its highest level this year. The overall monthly increase was primarily the result of seasonal gains in the Nonmanufacturing sector, along with some additional hiring in the Manufacturing sector, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 452,100 in September. This figure represents a gain of 2,000 jobs from the August level and is 6,100 above the September 1986 total of 446,000.

MANUFACTURING

Overall manufacturing employment in Rhode Island increased by 700 on both a monthly and an annual basis to the current figure of 121,100. In the Durable Goods category, the September employment total of 82,800 was up 400 from the prior month and was 200 more than the figure recorded a year ago. Employment in the Nondurable Goods producing industries increased 300 in the August-September period to a level of 38,300, which was 500 above the September 1986 total.

Within the Durable Goods category, monthly job gains in Transportation Equipment (+200), Jewelry-Silverware (+200) and Primary Metals (+100) more than offset a decrease of 100 in Fabricated Metals. The remaining Durable Goods industries were unchanged from their August employment levels. Compared to a year ago, the largest employment advance in the Durable Goods category was re-

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EMPLOYERS! LIST YOUR HOLIDAY JOB OPENINGS WITH THE RHODE ISLAND JOB SERVICE

Are you a retailer planning to hire additional sales people for the approaching holiday season? Perhaps a manufacturer considering the addition of another shift or adding part-time or full-time help to your present shift?

The Rhode Island Job Service is the State's largest single source of job-ready applicants. Now is the time to list your openings with the Job Service. Our responsibility is to work with employers across the entire spectrum of the work force, providing a full range of employees from the assembly line to the front office. Professional job interviewers in each of our ten local offices will screen and refer applicants for your consideration. You make the final selection. We can also assist you in describing your jobs accurately as you prepare your job orders. This saves you, or your personnel staff, valuable time and money in recruiting and interviewing.

For more than fifty years, Job Service has been working hard to keep Americans — and Rhode Islanders — working; a dependable community source of qualified applicants for Rhode Island employers.

Now is the time to list your holiday hiring needs with the Job Service. Call the Job Bank at 277-3588 (or toll-free Enterprise 2265) or any local office of the Rhode Island Job Service listed on page two of this Bulletin. Thank you.

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Sept. 1987	Aug. 1987	Sept. 1986
Total Placements	2,173	1,007	2,495
New Applications	3,427	2,207	4,225
New Openings Rec'd.	2,472	2,455	3,602

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Sept. 1987	Aug. 1987	% Change Aug. 1987
Initial Claims	3,736	4,456	- 16.2
No. of Payments	32,572	36,642	- 11.1
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,375,067	$ 4,789,151	- 8.6
Exhaustions	761	796	- 4.4

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	Sept. 1987	Aug. 1987	Sept. 1986
Initial Claims	3,450	3,455	2,890
No. of Payments	26,069	27,366	24,845
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,173,013	$ 4,378,869	$ 3,551,303

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Sept. 1987	Aug. 1987	Sept. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	522.6	520.6	511.8
Unemployment	16.0	18.3	18.2
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.1	3.5	3.6
Seas. Adjusted Rate	3.6	3.7	4.1

PROVIDENCE
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Aug. 1987	July 1987	Aug. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	336.4	332.7	330.6
Unemployment	11.7	13.2	12.7
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.5	4.0	3.8

PAWTUCKET-WOONSOCKET-ATTLEBORO
Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	Aug. 1987	July 1987	Aug. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	168.6	166.1	167.1
Unemployment	6.7	7.2	8.0
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.0	4.3	4.8

NEWPORT Labor Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	Aug. 1987	July 1987	Aug. 1986
Civilian Labor Force	36,520	36,275	36,330
Unemployment	950	1,010	975
Rate (Unadjusted)	2.6	2.8	2.7

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED
AUGUST 17-21, 1987

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	10,246	100.0
Men	4,360	42.5
Under 45	2,974	68.2
45 and over	1,386	31.8
Women	5,886	57.4
Under 45	3,405	57.8
45 and Over	2,481	42.2
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	355	3.5
Manufactruing	4,422	43.1
Public Utilities	878	8.6
Wholesale and Retail	1,756	17.1
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	354	3.5
Service	1,880	18.3
All Other	601	5.9
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,818	17.7
Clerical and Sales	2,588	25.3
Service	1,171	11.4
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	31	0.3
Processing	200	2.0
Machine Trades	1,125	11.0
Bench Work	1,140	11.1
Structural Work	662	6.5
Miscellaneous	1,510	14.7
INA	1	0.0

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	Sept. 1987	Aug. 1987	Sept. 1986	Aug. 1987	Sept. 1986
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	452.1	450.1	446.0	+ 2,000	+ 6,100
MANUFACTURING	121.1	120.4	120.4	+ 700	+ 700
NONMANUFACTURING	331.0	329.7	325.6	+ 1,300	+ 5,400
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	19.4	19.3	18.3	+ 100	+ 1,100
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	15.3	15.3	15.1	-	+ 200
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	102.3	102.0	101.1	+ 300	+ 1,200
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	25.5	25.7	25.0	- 200	+ 500
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	111.7	111.3	109.2	+ 400	+ 2,500
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	56.8	56.1	56.9**	+ 700	- 100

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Sept. 1987	Aug. 1987	Sept. 1986	Aug. 1987	Sept. 1986	Sept. 1987	Sept. 1986	Sept. 1987	Sept. 1986	Sept. 1987	Sept. 1986
ALL MANUFACTURING	121.1	120.4	120.4	+700	+700	332.00	321.57	40.0	40.5	8.30	7.94
DURABLE GOODS	82.8	82.4	82.6	+400	+200	330.02	319.95	40.1	40.5	8.23	7.90
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.4	3.4	3.4	-	-	387.44	378.51	40.4	40.7	9.59	9.30
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.7	1.7	-	-	415.60	397.60	40.0	40.0	10.39	9.94
PRIMARY METALS	5.5	5.4	5.3	+100	+200	406.30	393.76	42.5	42.8	9.56	9.20
FABRICATED METALS	9.9	10.0	10.0	- 100	- 100	322.40	297.27	40.3	40.5	8.00	7.34
NONELECTRIC MACH.	6.0*	6.0*	5.9*	-	+100	450.11	436.59	43.7	44.1	10.30	9.90
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	12.0	12.0	12.1	-	- 100	297.20	299.83	38.9	40.3	7.64	7.44
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.3	9.1	9.5	+200	- 200	440.76	422.24	40.4	40.6	10.91	10.40
INSTRUMENTS	5.0*	5.0*	4.9*	-	+100	327.24	326.28	40.5	42.1	8.08	7.75
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	24.2	24.0	23.8	+200	+400	264.80	252.40	39.7	40.0	6.67	6.31
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.8	5.8	6.0	-	- 200	260.15	249.51	36.9	35.9	7.05	6.95
NONDURABLE GOODS	38.3	38.0	37.8	+300	+500	334.67	324.01	39.7	40.4	8.43	8.02
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.4	3.3	3.3	+100	+100	292.93	272.54	36.8	37.8	7.96	7.21
TEXTILES	10.5	10.5	10.4	-	+100	304.67	293.04	40.3	40.7	7.56	7.20
APPAREL	3.2	3.1	3.2	+100	-	287.29	279.22	41.1	41.8	6.99	6.68
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.5	2.5	2.5	-	-	319.96	303.66	42.1	42.0	7.60	7.23
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.9	6.9	6.8	-	+100	432.06	428.67	38.0	39.4	11.37	10.88
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.0	3.0	3.1	-	- 100	439.19	433.54	41.2	40.9	10.66	10.60
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.4	1.4	1.3	-	+100	342.37	333.22	41.2	41.6	8.31	8.01
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.1	5.0	4.9	+100	+200	322.70	315.97	38.6	40.2	8.36	7.86
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.3	2.3	2.3	-	-	234.43	215.90	39.4	38.9	5.95	5.55

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ported in Jewelry-Silverware (+400), followed by upturns in Primary Metals (+200), Nonelectrical Machinery and Instruments (+100 each). Contrary to this, annual job declines of 200 each were registered in Transportation Equipment and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment, while decreases of 100 each occurred in Fabricated Metals and Electrical Machinery. Employment in Lumber/Furniture and Stone-Clay-Glass was unchanged from a year ago.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, monthly advances of 100 each were posted in Food-Beverage, Apparel and Plastics Products. Payroll levels in the remaining Nondurable Goods industries showed no change in the August-September period. On an annual comparison, the largest employment increase (+200) was recorded in Plastics Products, followed by upturns of 100 each in Food-Beverage, Textiles, Printing-Publishing and Rubber Products. In contrast, employment in Chemical Products fell by 100, while the remaining Nondurable Goods industries were unchanged for the twelve month period.

NONMANUFACTURING

Total employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing sector rose by 1,300 from August to September, largely the result of seasonal hiring in Trade, Services and Government. The current total of 331,000 is 5,400 jobs greater than the September 1986 level of 325,600.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, payroll levels in Wholesale and Retail Trade, at 102,300, and Services, at 111,700, posted monthly gains of 300 and 400, respectively. Compared to a year ago, the former industry was up 1,200, while the latter advanced by 2,500. Overall Government employment rose by 700 during the month, primarily due to education-related gains in the state and local segments. At 56,800, this category was 100 below the year earlier level. Employment in Contract Construction increased 100 from the prior month to a level of 19,400 and showed an upturn of 1,100 compared to September 1986. Transportation and Public Utilities jobs remained at the August total of 15,300, but were 200 above the figure recorded a year ago. Although payroll levels in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate fell 200 from last month, the current job total of 25,500 represents a gain of 500 from the September 1986 level.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 2 cents to $8.30 in mid-September. This represents a 36 cent per hour gain compared to a year ago. The average work week increased by 0.1 of an hour in September to 40.0 hours. However, this is 0.5 of an hour less than the September 1986 work week. Average weekly earnings for these workers amounted to $332.00 in September, representing an increase of $1.63 from last month and a gain of $10.43 from a year ago.

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